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(SPECIAL TO "TELEGRAPH")

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London, Feb. 20.

The British Government has commenced an official investigation into the means by which Italy obtained the secret report of Sir John Maffey to the British Foreign Office in respect to Italy's claims in Ethiopia and the possible effect of these claims upon British interests. *Giornale d'Italia* published this report yesterday.

However, the British Government does not seem to be incensed. It is asserted that the publication has proved the sincerity of Great Britain in demanding League penalties as a result of the invasion of Ethiopia, since Sir John Maffey's report apparently indicated that British interests in East Africa could not be disturbed by Italy's ambitions.

A spokesman of the Government said to-day that Sir John Maffey and a commission had been instructed to report on the facts, without recommending a policy, after Signor Leonardo Vitetti, a counsellor of the Italian Embassy, had informed Great Britain on January 29, 1935, regarding the secret Franco-Italian agreement in respect of Ethiopia.

This agreement was negotiated by M. Pierre Laval, then French Foreign Minister, and Signor Benito Mussolini, the Italian dictator.

However, the Government spokesman made it clear that the report of Sir John's Commission was not utilised because the Cabinet refused to admit that the interests of Great Britain were not jeopardised through the proposed Italian conquest of Ethiopia.—*United Press.*

CANNOT ANSWER

London, Feb. 20.

There was a shower of questions in the House of Commons to-day with regard to the publication by a Rome newspaper of extracts from the secret report of Sir John Maffey made to the Foreign Office in June, 1935. The report concerned the Italian claims in Ethiopia and pointed out that Britain had no vital interests there.

Mr. Winston Churchill and others were anxious to know how the leakage, which is the subject of departmental inquiries in London, occurred.

Mr. George Lansbury, former Labour leader, urged that the House, unless it possessed the full facts before Monday, could not properly debate the foreign affairs problems which would come before it.

The Prime Minister, Mr. Stanley Baldwin, replied that he had been busy all morning and had not read the newspapers. He must consider the point raised and could not answer now, he said.—*Reuter.*

FAVOURS BRITAIN

Official quarters deny the Paris suggestion that the publication of the *Giornale d' Italia's* report in Rome caused surprise and bewilderment.

Most Italians do not understand the reason for the publication of the particular section of the Maffey report which clearly favours the British standpoint, and shows that in her attitude towards sanctions Great

(Continued on Page 7.)

TRANSPORT WORKERS STRIKE

TRAFFIC PARALYSED IN COLOMBO

Colombo, Feb. 20.

Transport workers here have struck against a traffic regulation whereby licences will be cancelled after a tenth conviction.

All trams, buses and motor vehicles have stopped running.

Two travel agencies have received intimidating letters threatening harm if they allow their motor vehicles to be run for the benefit of their clients.—*Reuter's Bulletin Service.*

SUCCEEDS SIR ALEX. CADOGAN

NEW AMBASSADOR TO CHINA NAMED

SIR H. KNATCHBULL-HUSESSEN

London, Feb. 20.

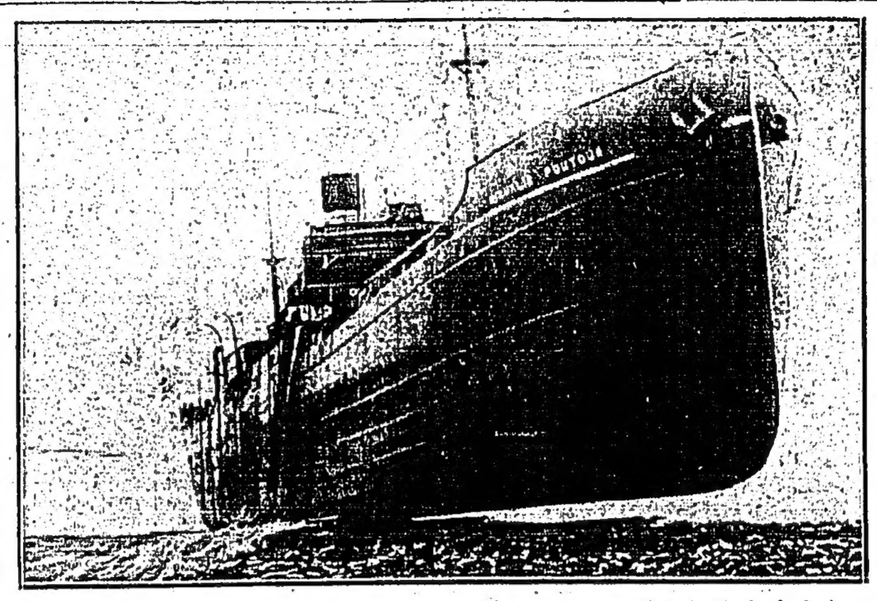
His Majesty the King to-day approved the appointment of Sir Hughe Montgomery Knatchbull - Hussesen, the present British Minister at Teheran, to the ambassadorship of China.

He succeeds Sir Alexander Cadogan, who has been appointed Deputy Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, in succession to Sir Victor Wellesley, whose retirement was recently announced.

From Baliol College, Oxford, Sir Hughe entered the Foreign Office in 1908. He was attached to the British delegation to the Peace Conference in 1919 and was First Secretary in His Majesty's Diplomatic Service that same year.

In 1926 he was appointed Counsellor at His Majesty's Embassy at Brussels, where he remained until 1930. In 1930 he went as British Minister to the Baltic States, serving there for four years, when he was given the post at Teheran, Persia.—*Reuter.*

The seventh annual photographic exhibition of the H.K.U.A.P.C. will be held from February 22 to 29 in the Gloucester Building (Top Floor).



Picture shows the steamer Michailis Poutous stranded high and dry at Lilstock, England, during a heavy fog. All the crew were saved.

ADMITS LONDON MURDER

BUT PLEADS SELF DEFENCE

FRENCHMAN'S CONFESSION

Paris, Feb. 20.

A frank confession by Roger Vernon that he had shot Max Kassel, alleged head of a criminal gang in London, but in self-defence, was given to the French authorities to-day.

Vernon's confession startled the examining magistrate.

The prisoner said he shot Kassel without premeditation and only to defend his own life.

Vernon was arrested with a woman two days after the murder of the man Kassel, Max the Red, as he was known to the London underworld. Kassel was allegedly engaged in traffic in women.

The British authorities supplied the information leading to Vernon's detention, but the French Police refused to consider a request for extradition. Vernon was found to be a French subject, and escaped convict as well.—*Reuter.*

Film Pioneer's Work Shown

QUEEN VICTORIA'S FUNERAL

London, Feb. 20.

A film showing the funeral of Queen Victoria was screened to-day at a cinema where it was originally shown thirty-five years ago.

This picture was shown in connection with the fortieth anniversary of the invention of the cinema by a French inventor, whose first film was also shown, with the original projector.—*Reuter's Bulletin Service.*

EXPECTS SURPLUS

London, Feb. 20.

Notwithstanding the supplementary estimates above the budget figure which will be required by the end of the financial year, March 31, it is still expected that the Chancellor of the Exchequer will be able to show a surplus.—*Reuter Special.*

GERMAN PROTEST TO SWITZERLAND

Ban On Nazi Groups Inadmissible

Berlin, Feb. 20.

The German Minister in Berne has been instructed to hand a Note to the Swiss Government energetically protesting against the decision of the Swiss Federal Council prohibiting all Nazi organisations in Switzerland.

It is stated that the Note stresses the inadmissibility of the Swiss step, and protests against the political demonstration underlying this procedure. Moreover, it expects the revocation of the decision.—*Reuter's Bulletin Service.*

COSTLY LEAGUE SANCTIONS

FRANCE SUFFERS LOSS OF TRADE

(Special To "Telegraph")

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Paris, Feb. 20.

There has been a substantial contraction of French trade with Italy as a result of the application of the League of Nations sanctions.

This fact was indicated in the January returns, which show that imports from Italy total only 4,000,000 francs as compared with January of 1935.

Exports are now 18,500,000 for January instead of 47,000,000 as they were formerly.

British Empire trade figures, it will be recalled, have dwindled almost to vanishing point where Italy is concerned. Great Britain especially has suffered through the loss of the Italian market.—*Reuter Special.*

STOP PRESS

QUAKE SHAKES OSAKA

Shanghai, Feb. 21.

The Nippon Dempo reports that severe earthquakes have occurred at Osaka.

The shocks were at 10.07 and 10.27 a.m. to-day.

Telephone and telegraph communications are gone.

Casualties and damage are not reported.

Since Osaka is within a few miles of Kobe, where there is a large foreign population, there is some apprehension here for the safety of that city. But no word of any shocks in Kobe has been received.—*United Press.*

SERIOUS SHOCK

Tokyo, Feb. 21.

A fairly severe earthquake shock occurred at Osaka at 10.07 a.m.—*Reuter.*

POLITICS AT NAVAL PARLEYS

EDEN'S ASSURANCE TO NORMAN DAVIS

CORBIN WAITS FOR ORDERS

London, Feb. 20.

Mr. Norman Davis, the chief American delegate to the Naval Conference, called on Mr. Anthony Eden, Foreign Secretary, this afternoon and expressed concern about politica issues holding up the work of the Conference.

Mr. Eden gave an assurance that the Conference would concentrate on purely naval matters and would not be unduly prolonged.

So far, M. Corbin, the French Ambassador, has not called on Mr. Eden. He is presumably awaiting instructions from Paris on the outcome of the demarche to Washington and on other matters.—*Reuter.*

Defence Plan Awaited

SOON TO BE MADE PUBLIC

London, Feb. 20.

Answering a Parliamentary question this afternoon, the Prime Minister, Mr. Stanley Baldwin, said the plans to be announced shortly for making good the deficiencies in national defence, would be a co-ordinated programme, in which the appropriate functions of the three fighting services had been fully taken into account, but any long range programme must be flexible and subject to continuous review and modification as circumstances might require.

The Prime Minister also announced in the Commons at question time that the adjournment of the House would be moved on Monday for a discussion on foreign affairs. Following the debate, which it is hoped to finish by 9.30 p.m., supplementary estimates for the Navy, Army and Air Force will be considered.—*British Wireless.*

SEVEN BODIES FOUND

VICTIMS IN YAUMATI HOUSE COLLAPSE

SEARCH STILL CONTINUES

Further bodies have been recovered from the ruins of the building in Woosung Street, Yaumati, following the collapse earlier in the week.

Yesterday afternoon and last night three bodies, two female and one male were extricated from the debris, whilst between 3.45 and 7.30 this morning, four more were recovered, three male and one female. The body of one of the men has been identified.

Work is still progressing on the ruins, and it is thought that there may be further bodies still lying buried.

The collapse of the Woosung Street building occurred Wednesday morning. It was not known, nor is it yet certain, how many persons were in the building at the time. Six injured persons were found in the debris in the first few hours of the Fire Brigade's search and all were rushed to hospital in a serious condition.

Workmen were repairing the house at the time of the collapse and the walls had been shored up. Yesterday searchers had to abandon work in the ruins because of the danger of the collapse of the walls. Firemen proceeded to demolish them with hose-jets and yesterday afternoon returned to the search for victims.

EYSTON WILL TRY AGAIN

SEEKING ANOTHER MOTOR RECORD

London, Feb. 20.

Captain G. E. T. Eyston, the well-known racing motorist, who holds several world records, hopes to create a new record for cars with heavy oil engines in the attempt he is preparing to make on Pendeno Sands, Carmarthenshire, at the beginning of next week.

The twelve cylinder engine of his car, the "Flying Spray," is said to embody a number of new features, and its performance is expected to give valuable information bearing on the development of aero engines using non-inflammable oil. Captain Eyston is out to beat the official record of a hundred miles hour and the unofficial record held by the American driver, Cummings.—*British Wireless.*

SYNTHETIC RUBBER

GREAT DEVELOPMENT PREDICTED

Berlin, Feb. 20.

The *Germania*, commenting on Herr Hitler's claim that Germany had solved the synthetic rubber problem, admits that natural rubber is considerably cheaper than the synthetic product, of which at present only sixty tons are being produced monthly, in face of Germany's total requirements of six thousand tons.

However, the journal prophesies sensational results from artificial manufacture, which will eventually effect structural changes in the international rubber market.—*Reuter.*

GOLD COMING BACK

Paris, Feb. 20.

An increase in the Bank of France's gold reserve of 100,000,000 francs and decreases in note circulation of 550,000,000 francs, are features of the Bank's balance sheet for the week ended February 14, showing the gold cover has increased from 70.83 to 71.12.—*Reuter.*

Sir Frederic Leith-Ross, who is seen above with Lady Leith-Ross, left for Canton last night to study South China currency questions.

BRITISH LOAN TO FRANCE

CHANCELLOR ON FRENCH HELP

PROTECTING EXCHANGE

London, Feb. 20.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, was questioned in the House of Commons to-day regarding the sterling credit to France.

He replied that the French Government had recently informed him of its desire to raise a banking credit in London. The House would recollect in 1931, owing to the good offices of the French Government, His Majesty's Government obtained a large banking credit in Paris, and on the present occasion, as on the occasion of a similar operation in 1933, he was glad to be able to perform a similar service and to convey to the French Government his consent to their proposed borrowing.

The credit was for a total of £40,000,000 for a period not exceeding nine months.

The Chancellor added that when he gave consent to the operation he naturally had in mind the position of the exchanges and satisfied himself that proper technical arrangements had been made between the central banks.

Answering a member who enquired about the outstanding indebtedness of France to Great Britain, the Chancellor said the last payment received from France in respect of war Debts was made in June, 1931, and since that date the payments had been suspended in accordance with the arrangements made at the Lausanne Conference.—*British Wireless.*

GERMAN DEBT AGREEMENT

PROLONGED ANOTHER TWELVE-MONTH

(Special To "Telegraph")

Berlin, Feb. 20.

The standstill agreement with respect to Germany's short-term debts, expiring February 29, will be prolonged for another year.

The debts dropped during the past year from £140,000,000 to £108,000,000.

Italy does not participate in the new agreement, as her small credits have been paid.—*Reuter Special.*

C. N. Co. OFFICER DIES

William Parry Lynn Hughes, 29, second officer of the China Navigation Company's steamer Chekiang, died this morning at the War Memorial Hospital. The funeral takes place at Happy Valley this morning.

ITALIAN ARMY STILL CONTINUES ADVANCE

Rome, Feb. 20.

A further Italian advance on the northern front is announced in to-day's communique from Marshal Badoglio, commander-in-chief of the Italian armies in East Africa.

The First Army Corps was the body involved in this new manoeuvre.

The Corps forms the left wing of the army, as constituted after the recent battle for Ambaniadam, south of Makale, in which the Italians claim to have inflicted severe losses on the Ethiopians and to have captured highly important strategic positions.

The advancing troops reached a group of villages at the junction of three caravan trails, fifteen miles north of Ambaalagi. No resistance was encountered.—*Reuter Bulletin Service.*

COMMUNISTS PLOT WITH ROMAN CATHOLICS?

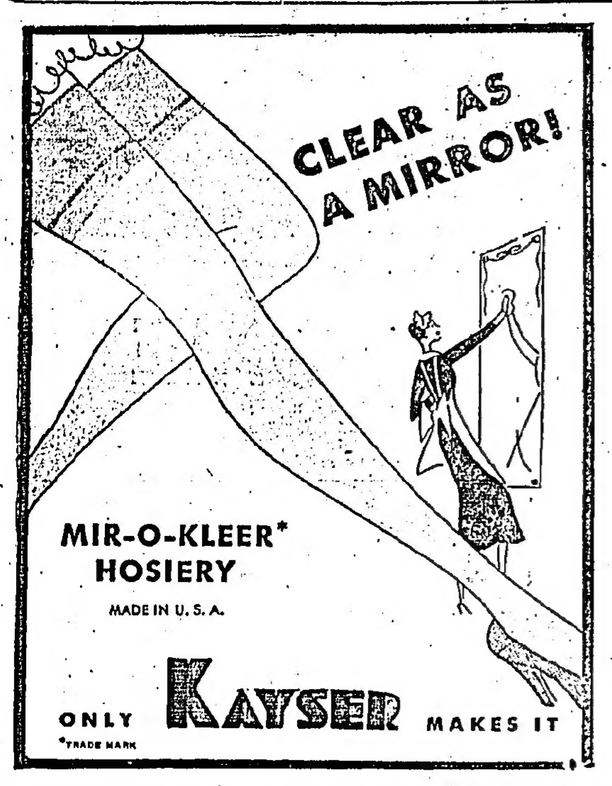
(SPECIAL TO "TELEGRAPH")

Berlin, Feb. 20.

An alleged plot among Catholic priests and Communist leaders in the Rhineland and Westphalia was the subject of an official communique to-day.

This document states that the Secret Police are investigating an alleged plan of co-operation between the Catholic Young Men's Associations and Communist organisations, with a view to checking a planned act of high treason.

Up to now, seven leading Communists and ten priests have been arrested. Forty-five other prominent Catholics are also in custody.—*Reuter Service.*



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PACIFIC FORTIFICATIONS

U.S. AIR BASE AT HONOLULU, WORLD'S LARGEST, TO BE BUILT BY 1938 AT COST OF 11 MILLION

Construction Work On Hickam Field, 2,500-Acre Plot Overlooking Pearl Harbour, Will Start in Few Weeks

Honolulu, Feb. 1.

Destined to be the world's largest airport, Hickam Field, the U. S. Army's future westermost air base, will begin to take definite form in the forepart of 1936.

The government has made available U.S.$4,500,000 for preliminary construction work on the 2,500-acre field located eight miles from Honolulu close by Pearl Harbour naval base. Total cost of the huge air base is estimated at U.S.$11,000,000.

Without awaiting actual construction of hangars and runways, landscape architects and gardeners have started planting trees, shrubs and flower gardens with a view of making the huge field the most beautiful air base in the world as well as the largest.

Immediate construction plans call for the building of four double hangars, one operations hangar, water and sewer lines, roads and landing runways. Actual construction will begin soon.

Base To Resemble City

The layout of Hickam Field will resemble a small modern city with broad boulevards, sidewalks, street lighting system, telephone network, fire department, hospital, public school and other utilities of American life.

When completed the field will have quarters for 180 officers, 175 non-commissioned officers and barracks for 1,600 men. Officers' quarters will be of concrete.

To reach the present point of progress in development of this great American flying field has consumed seven years. The site was selected in 1928 by a board of army officers. In May, 1935, owners of the land, a good part of which constituted a profitable sugar plantation as well as a small town, were paid $1,450,000 for the site. More than two years will be required to complete the air base.

Named For Dead Flier

Hickam Field was named in honour of the late Lt. Col. Horace M. Hickam. He was killed on November 5, 1934, when the plane he was flying crashed at Galveston, Texas.

The new air-base is the third military air field on the island of Orhu to be named for army fliers who have lost their lives in pursuit of duty.

Wheeler Field, air base at Schofield Barracks, the United States largest army post located 30 miles outside Honolulu, was named after Maj. Sheldon H. Wheeler, member of the squadron which flew with Gen. John J. Pershing on his punitive expedition into Mexico after Pancho Villa. Major Wheeler died in a crash near the field which bears his name.

Used By Ocean Fliers

In addition to being the base for most of the army's flying activities in Hawaii, Wheeler Field has come into prominence from the trans-Pacific flights which have started and ended there. It was from this field that Amelia Earhart took off on her solo flight to California. The late Charles Kingsford-Smith also used it on his trans-Pacific hops.

Luke Field, at present used by both army and navy land planes, is on an island in the centre of Pearl Harbour. It was named in honour of Lieut. Frank Luke, "balloon buster" of World War days who was shot down behind the German lines. Upon completion of Hickam Field, all flying activities will be transferred from Luke Field, leaving it for sole use of the navy.

Addition of Hickam Field to Hawaii's military establishments will make the island of Orhu by far America's most fortified area. Pearl Harbour, on one side of the new airport, is the nation's largest naval base. A few miles beyond Pearl Harbour lies Schofield Barracks, America's largest army post. Adjoining Hickam Field on the other side is Fort Kamehameha with its 14-inch guns capable of hurling projectiles 25 miles out to sea in defence of the narrow entrance to Pearl Harbour.

More Forts Nearby

On the other side of Honolulu is Fort deRussy, equipped with more 14-inch guns as well as the latest type anti-aircraft guns and searchlights. Two miles beyond Fort deRussy towers Diamond Head, world-known landmark and built by nature as a perfect fort.

A hollow and extinct volcano crater, Diamond Head, bristles with concealed lookouts and defence equipment.

Nestled in a secluded valley behind Diamond Head is Fort Ruger, equipped for artillery, anti aircraft batteries mounted on high-speed trucks and hangars for scouting balloons.

In all, the island has six army posts. Their combined searchlight equipment is capable of brilliantly illuminating the entire city on the darkest night, giving Honolulu the appearance of a Hollywood movie palace on the night of a brilliant premier.—*United Press.*

Hammers Ring In British Shipyards

MANY MORE JOBS ASSURED

£5,000,000 FOR MERSEY YARDS

London, Feb. 2.

There is more noise in British shipyards now then at any time since 1930.

This noise, from the hammers and rivets and winches, is an indication of the great activity in the yards.

On the Tyne tonnage to be launched on the slipways of three firms in the first quarter of 1936 is to be greater than that produced during the whole of 1934.

At a shipyard on the Mersey £5,000,000 worth of orders are in hand, and 7,000 men are to be employed.

At Barrow it is announced that more than 11,000 men are to be employed and that this employment is practically guaranteed for a year and a half.

At Belfast one firm is now employing 14,000 men, the highest total since 1930. The same yard will also reach 1930 standards by launching 10,000 tons.

It is announced that several idle yards on the northeast coast along the Tyne and the Tees are to be reopened. The total orders given recently for new vessels from the yards of the Tyne, the Wear and the Tees rivers have reached 75.

Meanwhile official details of the working of the "Scrap and Build" scheme for British shipping show that 45 vessels of about 196,000 tons gross have been put up for scrapping. This leaves 78,000 tons still to be nominated for scrapping to complete the amount of 274,000 tons under the scheme.

This scheme, on the basis of two tons scrapped for each new ton built, is for 36 vessels of about 137,000 tons, to cost about £2,640,000. Orders have already been placed for 24 of these, and applications for four others have been lodged.

Of the vessels for breaking up 11 have been sold to British and 15 to foreign ship breakers, while the disposal of the remaining 19 has not yet been decided.

So far only about one quarter of the amount of £10,000,000 available over two years under the scheme has been applied for.

Einstein Applies for American Citizenship

Trenton.

PROFESSOR Albert Einstein has signed a "declaration of intention" to become a United States citizen. He will be eligible for citizenship in October 1938.

He is at present at Princeton University. He declined to make any comment when questioned regarding his plans.

Professor Einstein, who has been described as the "greatest genius of the present day," was banished from Germany by the Nazis because of his Jewish birth.

He was born at Ulm, in 1879. It was at Berlin that he completed the labours of eight years and astonished the scientific world with his findings on the theory of relativity, regarded by one commentator as "the most thorough revision of physical concepts since the days of Newton."

When annoyed by interviewers who wanted to know what relativity really was he directed his secretary to give them this answer:

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Professor Albert Einstien.

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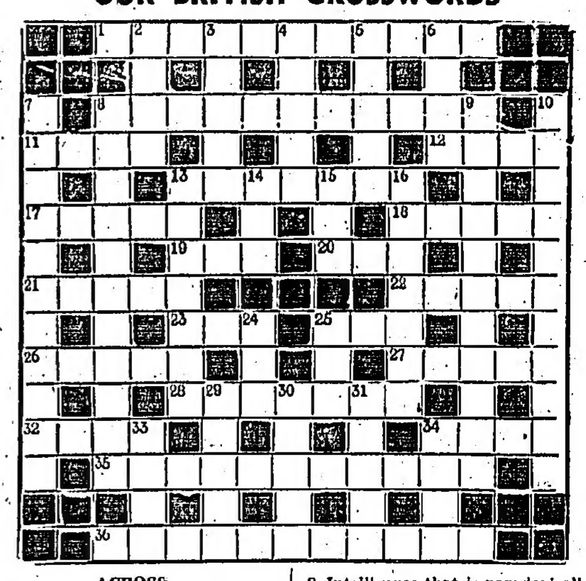

ACROSS

1 Taking no thought for the the morrow
8 The assembly to examine a calling.
11 One does not receive this as a right.
12 One may find them low.
13 Take into account.
17 Mule name.
18 More than dislike.
19 A Silencer
20 If you double him you'll get a handfull!
21 This circle is well known to Londoners.
22 Proverbially hard form of mollusc.
23 This iron is a dog.
25 A decisive factor in tricky work.
26 If a body is this, should one anagram of this it?
27 No boy minds the cane if it's this.
28 A descriptive word containing two pronouns.
32 Kind of cape.
34 A battle.
35 Large in the extreme.
36 Of the lowest class.

DOWN

2 Beams from this may often be seen in houses.
3 Split.
4 Descriptive of a sound human effort.
5 Many mothers have this on their children.
6 A retreat.
7 These people are certainly not shallow-headed.
8 Intelligence that is paradoxically rather rare.
9 Does this bird like to spend itself?
10 Space forbids any wide departure from this sphere.
13 "Get rain" (anag.)
14 Part of a machine upsets a commanding officer.
15 Part of a date, maybe.
16 Serious reference to a pillow?
24 This is on a penny.
25 Tree.
29 What the school-master still has under the lash!
30 Drink it, or eat it.
31 A word of welcome.
33 A distinct reflection.
34 Feminine name.

Yesterday's Solution.

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EVEREST EXPEDITION

ADVANCE PARTY ARRIVES IN BOMBAY

London, Feb. 20.

The 1936 Mount Everest expedition's advance party arrived in Bombay to-day under the leadership of Mr. Rutlidge.

The party is expected to make a first attempt to scale the top on May 22 until the Monsoon breaks, when they will have to return as the days will be too short and cold.

The party expects to reach the base camp on April 12 and on this occasion 134 porters will be employed, which is more than were used on the previous expedition.—*Reuter's Bulletin.*

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DICTATORS and DEMOCRACIES

By Paul Reynaud

MONSIEUR PAUL REYNAUD, who belongs to the post-war generation of French statesmen, was Minister of Finance in the second Tardieu Government of 1930 and has since held the portfolios of Colonies and Justice.

For a long time M. Tardieu's chief lieutenant, M. Reynaud succeeded him as leader of the Right Centre parliamentary group.

He resigned the leadership after the group had disavowed the now famous speech he had made in the Chamber of Deputies Foreign Affairs debate on December 27.

By sheer force of personality he compelled the usually rowdy Chamber to listen to his arguments in silence.

"Choose between Italy, violator of the Covenant, and Britain, its guardian"—was his theme.

Below, in an interview with the "News Chronicle" Paris Correspondent, M. Reynaud further outlines his views on the Italo-Abyssinian conflict and the attitude thereto of Britain and the League.

TWO THINGS DO I FIRMLY BELIEVE:

(I.) THAT THE IMPERIALISM OF THE TOTALITARIAN DICTATORS OF TO-DAY IS MORE DANGEROUS TO PEACE THAN THE KAISER'S PRE-WAR BRAND.

(II.) IF THE GREAT DEMOCRACIES OF THE WEST REALISE THEIR PERIL IN TIME, AND ACT ACCORDINGLY, THEY CAN AVOID WAR AND SAVE NOT ONLY THEIR OWN EXISTENCES BUT THE KIND OF CIVILISATION WHICH IS FOUNDED ON LIBERTY.

I MAY be wrong, but I believe this strongly. And because I believe it I said so in the French Chamber of Deputies.

But the essential condition of success is that the great democracies should understand each other. I tried to make my fellow countrymen grasp the strength and nobleness of the movement which swept the people of Britain to the defence of a weak nation attacked by a strong nation and to the determination to organise collective security.

Since it is my good fortune to-day to be addressing vast numbers of British readers, I am glad to seize the chance of trying to make clear to them the reasons for certain resistances in French public opinion to the application of the League Covenant in the Italo-Abyssinian conflict.

Main Difference

In the course of the debate in the French Chamber of Deputies, a deputy of the Right interrupted a speaker with the following remark: "Frenchmen have universal service, Englishmen have not."

This is not a bad summing-up of the difference in the situation of our two countries.

If, in revenge for efficacious sanctions, Italy were to attack British ships in the Mediterranean, thinks the average Frenchman, Britain would content herself with throwing from afar her professional warriors of the land, sea and air into the conflict.

Whereas France has a long frontier adjoining Italy and a long coastline with several big cities, open to the bombs of Italian air raiders. France would have to mobilise, that is transform her citizens into soldiers.

Would not Germany seize the occasion of attacking our North-Eastern frontier while we were occupied on that of the South-East? Would that not mean a universal war? We should have been drawn into war to avoid war. A truly Gilbertian policy!

And all for a black race, admitted to the League by mistake! A black race similar to those whom Britain and France have colonised so often! So that, for a mere colonial campaign, all hopes for peace in Europe would have been shattered.

French Reasoning

It was, let us recall, Italy which prevented Germany from invading Austria by mobilising on the Brenner frontier. But (so reasons the average Frenchman), here's the Treaty of Locarno gone to pot. . . . Here is overpopulated Italy forced into the camp of the discontented nations.

Already the Italian papers talk of an alliance with Germany or Japan, other overpopulated and discontented nations. Would it not have been more intelligent not to have taken this colonial war as an occasion to enforce the League Covenant?

Of course, Italy is in the wrong. But was not Japan in the wrong, four years ago and again a few months ago, in China?

Did not the hesitations of France and Britain, which lasted for months, during which Italy was allowed, without intervention, to accumulate troops and munitions in Africa, lead the Italians to believe that the machinery of the League of Nations would not be brought into play for the benefit of some African natives?

Again, if France, which would be called upon for the main effort, which would run the greatest risks, were only certain that in the event of a conflagration in any part of Europe—Austria, for example—Britain would at once intervene to help to extinguish it. . . .

Judging By Merit

But in his Note of Sept. 26, Sir Samuel Hoare declared that Britain must retain her full liberty of appreciating each case on its merits. What then?

Moreover, has not Britain authorised Germany to violate the Treaty of Versailles by signing—and apart from Franco—the Anglo-German Naval agreement?

On top of all this we are told that Britain could not even send as many men abroad at the beginning of a war as in 1914, while Italy could throw millions into the battlefield.

So it would be us poor blighters with universal military service who would hold the baby . . .!

These are some of the arguments used against me by the average Frenchman in connection with my speech, and I assure you that, in order to retain a firm seat in the saddle, I have to bear well fixed in my mind the two propositions with which I began this interview.

However, that I may not leave my British readers with too pessimistic an impression, I must indeed admit that my speech in the Chamber met with some applause all the same.

Remains Of Insect 150 Million Years Old

Cambridge, Mass., Jan. 30.

The remains of the world's largest insect, a prehistoric dragon fly two and one-half feet long that ruled the air 150,000,000 years ago, have been found in a Kansas limestone bed, it was announced here.

Only a part of one wing was found by Dr. Frank M. Carpenter of the Harvard University Museum of Comparative Zoology, but this was considered enough to estimate accurately the size of the entire specimen, because smaller insects of the same family have been found in well-preserved condition.

The giant insect, whose wing was found near Elmo, Kansas, was a member of the group known as Protodonata of the Permian Age. Insects of this type, with long thin bodies and long wings, were the most powerful that ever lived. They ate smaller insects, chiefly cockroaches. There were no birds or mammals then.

More than 8,000 prehistoric insects have been found by Harvard expeditions in Kansas limestone beds, where vast swamps once covered the area.—*United Press.*

Woman of 85 Dances the Hornpipe

New York, Feb. 1.

Although Mrs. Ella Hoover Thatcher is 85, has a liking for dancing the hornpipe, and enjoys motoring at 90 miles an hour, she contends that this is no proof of insanity.

Mrs. Thatcher, who says she is a sixth cousin of ex-President Hoover, is contesting a suit brought by her children before the Lunacy Commissioners of Toms River, New Jersey, asking that a guardian be appointed to control her income of £9,000 a year.

Captain Burt Rood, the master of her private yacht, testified to her dancing ability and her yearning for speed. He said she also entertained him with selections from grand opera sung while having a snack in her kitchen.—*United Press.*

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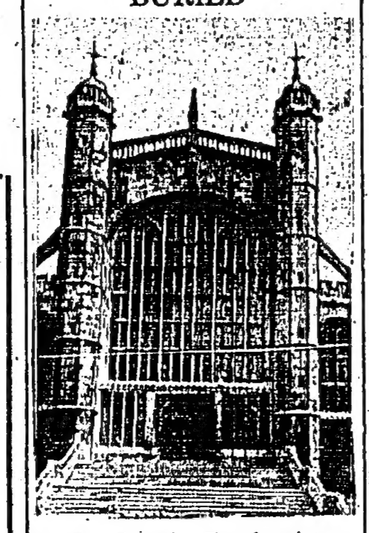

St. George's Chapel, where King George of England lies.

AGE DOES NOT MEAN SENILITY

St. Louis, Mo., Jan. 30.

The popular notion that aged persons decline in mental ability with the advance of years was branded "an unfortunate libel" at the 79th annual convention of the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

Dr. Irving Lorge of Teachers College, Columbia University, in addressing the Psychology section of the convention, asserted that from studies he had conducted he was convinced that deterioration observed by psychologists and laymen "is more apparent than real."

"It is due," he said, "to dimming sight, slowing movements, dulled hearing, and preoccupation with life's problems. It is not a loss of mental power as such, but rather an inability to work as fast with mental tasks."

Dr. Lorge applied tests to 143 unemployed adults, ranging in age from 20 years to 70 years, which indicated, he said, that the apparent decline with age varies when different mental tests are used as the "yard stick" of measurement, especially those involving speed, where the apparent decline is greatest.

"Our study demonstrates," he said, "that power to do mental work probably does not deteriorate with age. The reported deterioration is more apparent than real. Tests commonly used to measure mental ability are not a genuine measure of mental power, because they usually rest primarily on speed."

Dr. Lorge divided the 143 subjects of his tests into three groups of different ages, 20, to 25, 27 to 37, and over 40. The tests applied were the "Army alpha tests," in which speed counts more heavily than any other factor.

Scores for the various groups were:

20 to 25—149
27 to 37—142
40 and over—128.

As a check against those results, Dr. Lorge said he applied the Otis, or 20 minute self-administering test, and the result then was 44, 39 and 33 respectively.

A proper cancellation of the handicap which older persons suffer in speed, the speaker said, showed that the correction required was of such magnitude as to indicate that the reported facts of mental decline among those over 40 were "inaccurate and exaggerated."

A definite, accurate measure of mental power, Dr. Lorge emphasized should be attained by a "follow-up of mental power scores of individuals from a time shortly after birth through senescense."—*United Press.*

An Island To Be Made Higher

THE island of St. Marys, on which is built the town of Bathurst, capital of Gambia, in West Africa, is to be raised to above sea level at a cost of £250,000.

Gambia, the most northerly British possession in West Africa and the oldest and smallest British dependency in Africa, has 15,000 inhabitants, and Bathurst has always been considered unhealthy for both whites and blacks.

The low level of the island makes adequate drainage impossible, and in the rainy season, when as much as nine inches falls in a day, the island becomes a swamp, breeding malaria and yellow fever germs.

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DETECTIVE'S STRANGE EXPERIENCE

THE SHADOW OVER THE TSAR

"To me he seemed like a man walking quietly towards a waiting horror."

That description of the late Tsar of Russia, in a book published in London, "Memoirs of a Royal Detective," was written by a man whose duties brought him into contact with most of the rulers of pre-War Europe.

The author, the late ex-detective Inspector H. T. Fitch, unfortunately died before completing this volume of memoirs, which have been concluded from his notes by Mr. F. S. Stuart.

"Quiet, reserved, friendly," continues Mr. Fitch of the Tsar, "with a friendly word for the least of us who served him on his English visit, he yet looked like a man with fear standing coldly for ever at his left side. I have always believed that he foresaw the vague outlines of his colossal failure and his eventual doom from the day he ascended the Russian Throne."

Travelling Companion

Mr. Fitch was the last man to let his imagination run away with him, which makes the story he tells concerning Prince Olav of Norway all the more curious.

One day, shortly after the War, Queen Maud and the Prince were returning to Norway and Mr. Fitch was detailed to accompany them as far as the coast. The Royal train was well on its journey when the detective thought he saw someone step very swiftly past the door of his coach.

"There was a curious glitter about the man's hat—I assumed it was a man because he was very tall and powerfully built, though I got no glimpse of the face and only the most fleeting idea of the figure. What puzzled me most of all was that his clothes swished in a most curious manner, quite unlike the effect produced by an ordinary suit."

A close search of the train revealed nothing, and at Parkeston Quay all seemed well.

"The ship was all ready to depart, when my police inspector friend suddenly exclaimed sharply: 'Who's that?' I swung round and caught the vaguest glimpse of a tremendous figure in red and silver as it vanished—melted would be a more descriptive word—into the ship from the gangway's head."

Unavailing Search

Once more an intensive search revealed nothing, and the detectives were inclined to put it down to an optical illusion. It was not until many years later that Mr. Fitch was told of the Red Axeman of Norway, an old warrior who, killed in defence of a royal prince centuries ago in the reign of Haakon II., is said still to accompany all the heirs to the Norwegian throne when they cross the sea.

The author tells an interesting story of King Ferdinand of Bulgaria when he visited England for King Edward's funeral.

Paying endless visits to the Zoo, King Ferdinand "perhaps because his was a wild little country of no great pretensions, seemed ill at ease in the glamorous and stately surroundings of Buckingham Palace. At times he was quite at a loss concerning some point of Palace etiquette and was not ashamed to seek advice. . ."

Ferdinand Impressed

At the conclusion of King Edward's funeral King Ferdinand remarked, writes Mr. Fitch, "I never realised what a mighty and consolidated race you are until I saw you to-day, united by a single emotion. I would not have believed that any man in the world could have been grieved for like this. What a terrible people to arouse *against* one."

A prophetic remark in the circumstances.

This is an interesting book, brightly written, by a man who knew his subject. Of the many difficulties and dangers confronting him in his work, Mr. Fitch wrote little, but he revealed the many Royal people with whom he came in contact as human beings.

The volume is illustrated by many photographs.

CHESS ENTHUSIASTS

Five members of one family were included in the Wellington, N.Z., City team in a recent Chess competition, consisting of father, mother, two sons, and a daughter of 12 years.

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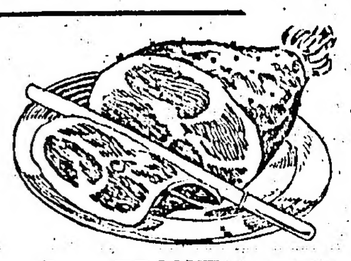

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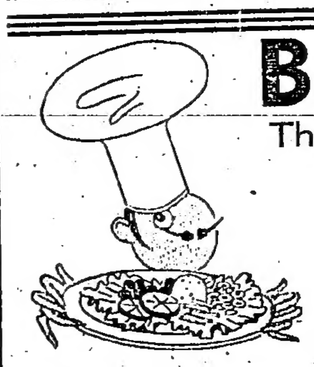

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CINEMA NEWS

NOTES SUPPLIED BY THE THEATRES

The thrill and romance of naval officers in the making, men who in peace or in war, heroically brave death for their country in their line of duty, is colourfully depicted in the new Warner Bros. Cosmopolitan drama-with-music, "Shipmates Forever" commencing to-morrow at the Queen's Theatre. It is an intimate and revealing story of the lives of the midshipmen in their study rooms at Annapolis, on the parade grounds and their cruises at sea. It pictures them at work and at play, their loves and their laughters—their loyalty and their courage "under fire." Dick Powell and Ruby Keeler head the cast. Dick personifies the raw cadet, somewhat spoiled but with the makings of a man, who is whipped into shape as a gallant officer through the rigour of the Naval Academy training, and Ruby, the loyal daughter of the Navy. Dick sings, fights a bitter battle alone with himself and finally winds up a hero who dashes through scalding steam and flame to rescue a shipmate. Ruby dances to gay throngs, the while she fights desperately to win the man she loves to the traditions of the Navy. The film Company spent a month at Annapolis, the movie actors enacting their roles with the training school as a background, and with 1,000 cadets taking part. While the picture is not a musical, several new songs are introduced by Powell in his role of the night club entertainer. All were composed by the famous song writing team of Warren and Dubin. The chief of them is a marching song "Don't Give Up The Ship." In addition to these, Dick sings a number of famous old sea ballads. There is a talented cast which includes Lewis Stone, Ross Alexandra, Eddie Acuff, Dick Foran, Robert Light, Joseph Crehan, Martha Merill and Mary Treen. Frank Borzage directed.

"O'Shaughnessy's Boy"

Wallace Beery and Jackie Cooper are united once more in the Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer picture, "O'Shaughnessy's Boy," coming on Sunday to the King's Theatre. Their new picture is described as a dramatic, human interest story of fatherly love told against a background of universal appeal the circus with all its pathos, humour and spectacle, abundantly punctuated with sure-fire animal thrills. The picture was directed by Richard Boleslawski, whose star is the fastest rising in Hollywood, with such recent hits to his credit as "Les Miserables" and "Clive of India." Here is the picture Beery-Cooper fans have been waiting for ever since "The Champ", one of the most successful pictures of all times. It is their picture from the opening shot until the final fadeout. Again the spirit and essence of "The Champ" have been captured from a different, novel angle, with an appealing, heart-throbbing twist, a father's regeneration through the love of his son, the son, realising the sacrifices of his father, in turn sacrificing himself, as the picture reaches a triumphant, smashing climax. From the standpoint of circus spectacle, "O'Shaughnessy's Boy" has never been equalled on the screen. A complete circus was erected at M-G-M menagerie tent with elephants, tigers, lions, monkeys, camels, water buffalo, llamas, and many other animals; Big Top and Side Show. There is a circus parade and many intimate shots of the circus on the road, the "privilege car," and the thrills of circus life. The tiger-elephant act, around which the action revolves, was said to be an impossibility by many expert circus men, but it will be seen for the first time on the screen when Wallace Beery puts a tiger on an elephant's back and puts the two jungle beasts through a ring on fire! The act required ten weeks of patient training on the part of Louis Roth, famous animal trainer. Wallace Beery has one of his finest roles as "Windy," the confident, easy-going, swaggering lion tamer. Jackie Cooper plays his son, and Spanky McFarland plays Jackie as a child. Leone Maricle, Broadway stage actress, makes her motion picture debut in the role of Cora, "Windy's" neurotic wife; Sarah Haden is seen as Martha, her spiteful sister; Henry Stephenson appears in the role of Valkenburg; Granville Bates is the doctor; Willard Robertson plays a circus boss; Clarence Muse has a sympathetic part as Jeff, coloured roustabout, and Ben Hendricks plays Franz, ringmaster. The story is an original by Harvey Gates and Malcolm Stuart Boylan.

"In Caliente"

Mexico, with all it's beauty and colour, its haunting music and exciting dances, is to be seen at the Star Theatre, where the latest First National musical is now showing. "In Caliente" is a musical with a real plot, replete with humour, action and romance, and introduces several production numbers that most spectators will agree excel any of the previous efforts of Busby Berkeley, who staged the dances for this picture as well as for most of the Warner Bros.-First National musicals that preceded it. The action takes place in Agua Caliente, that "made-to-order" Mexican resort near the California border, and concerns the adventures of Pat O'Brien, who is lately of the military or naval service, and who, in the role of a hardboiled magazine editor is kidnapped and taken to the resort on a sobering up expedition by his publisher, Edward Everett Horton. There he runs into Dolores Del Rio, a Spanish dancer, who dances him away from Glenda Farrell, again portraying a blonde menace. Leo Carillo has the role of Miss Del Rio's rascally uncle who tries to cash in on her charm. Others in the cast who do excellent work are Phil Regan, who has a special song number; Dorothy Dare, Winifred Shaw, who also sings one of the big production songs; Luis Alberni, George Humbert, William Davidson, Harry Holman, Soledad Jimenez, Herman Bing and Florence Fair.

"Front Page Woman"

George Brent feels quite at home in his role of Curt Devlin, newspaper reporter, in the Warner Bros. production "Front Page Woman," closing to-day at the Queen's Theatre. Brent's father was publisher of a newspaper in his native Ireland and George himself was slated for a journalistic career in his childhood. He turned soldier instead, subsequently answering the call to stage. Brent's brother-in-law at present is publisher of a large Chicago newspaper and his sister is a staff writer. Bette Davis has the feminine lead in "Front Page Woman". She plays the role of Ellen Garfield, sob-sister on another newspaper and a rival of Brent. "Front Page Woman" was adapted from Richard Macauley's magazine story, "Women Are Bum Newspapermen" by Roy Chansor and Lillie Hayward. The screen play was written by Laird Doyle. Michael Curtis directed. The supporting cast of the fast-moving comedy-drama includes Roscoe Karns, Winifred Shaw, Walter Walker, J. Carroll Naish, Gordon Westcott and J. Farrell MacDonald.

"The Three Mucketeers"

The four most famous fighting men of fiction, who so gloriously maintained the honour of Queen Anne of France against the intrigues of Cardinal Richelieu, have at last transferred their swashbuckle and sword play from the pages of Dumas, "The Three Musketeers" to the sound screen in a rousing realistic spectacle, showing to-day at the King's Theatre. D'Artagnan, the Gascon firebrand; the austere and taciturn Athos; Porthos the great girthed and loud voiced swordsman; the romantic, poetic, and dreamy Aramis. The four of them carved a niche in fiction's hall of fame with their rapiers that no other qaurtette can match. The celebrated Broadway actor, Walter Abel, portrays d'Artagnan, Paul Lukas, Maroni Olsen, and Onslow Stevens are respectively Athos, Porthos, and Aramis. Margot Grahame plays Milady de Winter. Cardinal Richelieu's alluring spy, Heather Angel is Constance, and Rosamond Pinchot is Queen Anne. Ian Keith, Miles Mander, Nigel de Brulier, Murray Kinell, Lumsden Hare, John Qualen, and Ralph Forbes round out the cast. Rowland V. Lee directed, and Cliff Reid, who produced "The Lost Patrol" and "The Informer," supervised.

CHOLERA IN KWANGSI

VIGOROUS PRECAUTIONS BY GOVERNMENT

Wuchow, Feb. 20.

Latest message from Liuchow reports that there is an outbreak of cholera, and that twenty fatal cases have been recorded since the 6th. inst. while a number of cases are in a serious condition.

The Government Hospital at Liuchow has been instructed by the Provincial Government to give free innoculation as an emergency measure. The Wuchow Hospital here has also been requested to send to Hongkong to purchase necessary medical stores for Liuchow.

Order for rushing up medicine to cope with the epidemic of meningitis in Waitsap, about 100 li from here, has also been received by the Wuchow Hospital. The situation of the epidemic at Waitsap is not known pending official reports from that city.—*Wah Kiu Yat Po.*

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The Transfer Books of the Company will be CLOSED from Friday, the 21st February, 1936, to Thursday, the 5th March, 1936, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

F. H. CRAPNELL,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 12th February, 1936.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

Notice is hereby given that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of the Shareholders in this Corporation will be held at the Head Office of the Corporation, No. 1, Queen's Road Central, Hongkong, on Saturday, the 22nd February, 1936, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1935.

The Register of Shares of the Corporation will be closed from Monday, the 10th February, to Saturday, the 22nd February, 1936, (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

V. M. GRAYBURN,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 3rd February, 1936.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FORTY-EIGHTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on TUESDAY, 10th March, 1936, at NOON for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1935.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY, 24th February, to TUESDAY, 10th March, 1936, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the
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O. EAGER,
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Hongkong, 17th February, 1936.

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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be closed from the 2nd March to the 12th March, 1936, both days inclusive.

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Hongkong, 20th February, 1936.

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Notice is hereby given that the Forty-seventh Ordinary Yearly Meeting will be held at the Company's Offices, P. & O. Building, on Wednesday, 11th March, 1936, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1935, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The Register of Members of the Company will be closed from 29th February, to 11th March, 1936, both days inclusive, during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

And notice is hereby also given that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company will be held at the same place immediately after the termination of the above mentioned Ordinary General Meeting for the purpose of considering and, if thought fit, passing the following resolutions, namely:—

(1) That it is desirable to capitalize the sum of $1,500,000, being part of the undivided profits of the Company standing to the credit of the Reserve Fund, and accordingly that a bonus of $1,500,000 be declared and that such bonus be applied on behalf of the persons who on the 29th day of February, 1936, are the registered holders of the 450,000 issued shares of the Company in payment in full for 150,000 shares of the Company of $10 each and that such 150,000 shares credited as fully paid be accordingly allotted to such persons respectively in the proportion of one of such shares for every three of the said 450,000 shares then held by such persons respectively and that such shares shall rank for dividend as from the 1st day of January, 1936.

(2) That if, on such distribution as aforesaid, any person would be entitled to a fraction of a share, the Directors shall, in lieu of issuing fractional certificates, cause the whole share to be allotted to a person or persons to be named by the Directors and such share shall at such time as the Directors think fit, be sold and the nett proceeds distributed amongst the persons entitled to such fractions making up the share.

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Mr. (now Sir) Robert Ho Tung made an immediate gift of $50,000 to the Hongkong University Endowment Fund, with a proviso that part of the income be devoted to a chair of clinical surgery tenable at the Government Civil Hospital, and a further gift of $5,000 annually for ten years.

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Four interned German prisoners at the Hunghom camp escaped by a tunnel from underneath a concert platform to the wire fencing enclosing the camp, but they were recaptured some days later by the police in the Saikung district, footsore and weary.

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The Hongkong Hotel Co. reported a profit on working account for the half-year totalling $40,005. A dividend of $2.50 per share was recommended.

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Mr. J. J. Leira resigned his post as Portuguese Consul-General, and Mr. Jose de Obaldia was appointed his successor.

RADIO BROADCAST

(Continued from Page 7.)

8.30 p.m. The B.B.C. Dance Orchestra.
9 p.m. The News and Announcements.
9.20 p.m. Schubert Songs.
9.30 p.m. "The British Industries Fair, 1936."
9.40 p.m. Schubert Songs (cont'd).
9.45 p.m. Close down.

Transmission 3

(G.S.F., G.S.E. and G.S.D.)
10 p.m. Big Ben. "The Miller and his Men."
10.10 p.m. Musical Interlude.
10.45 p.m. The B.B.C. Northern Orchestra.
11.30 p.m. "Guess Again! ?"
12 a.m. Dance Music.
Greenwich Time Signal at 12.30 a.m.
12.30 a.m. The News and Announcements.
12.50 a.m. The Hotel Metropole Orchestra.
1 a.m. Close down.

Transmission 4

(G.S.B. and G.S.D.)
PART I
1.15 a.m. Big Ben. The B.B.C. Dance Orchestra.
2 a.m. The News and Announcements.
2.20 a.m. Violin Solos.
2.35 a.m. The B.B.C. Military Band.
Greenwich Time Signal at 3 a.m.
3.10 a.m. From the London Theatre.
3.30 a.m. Young Ideas.
4 a.m. "Songs from the Shows."
5 a.m. Close down.
PART II
5.15 a.m. A Recital by Berkeley Mason (Pianoforte).
5.25 a.m. "The Mitre Madrigal Club."
Greenwich Time Signal at 6 a.m.
6 a.m. The News and Announcements.
6.20 a.m. Dance Music.
6.30 a.m. Dance Music.
6.45 a.m. Close down.

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7.15 p.m. "Music in the Air" with Mai Partridge.
7.30 p.m. Philco-Frigidaire Presentation, featuring "Tarzan of the Apes."
7.45 p.m. Elizalde y Cia Programme.
8 p.m. Hispania.
9 p.m. Hispania—Zarzuelas.
10.30 p.m. Sign Off.

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INWARD MAILS

Japan, Shanghai and Europe via Siberia (London, 30th January)	Cathay	February 21.
Haiphong	G.G. Paul Doumer	February 21.
Manila	General Lee	February 21.
Shanghai	Gneisenau	February 21.
Japan	Kitano Maru	February 21.
U.S.A., Canada, Japan, and Shanghai (Seattle, 1st February)	Pres. Grant	February 21.
Manila	Pres. Hoover	February 21.
Shanghai	Tyndareus	February 21.
Saigon	Athos II	February 22.
Japan	Rio de Janeiro Maru	February 22.
Straits and London Parcels—London 10th January and Air Mail ex "K.L.M. Service" (Amsterdam 12th February).	Somali	February 22.
Straits	Toba Maru	February 22.
Shanghai	Conte Verde	February 23.
Straits and Air Mail ex "Imperial Service" (London, 8th February)	Hong Peng	February 23.
Shanghai	Ninghai	February 23.
Shanghai	Tenmon	February 24.

OUTWARD MAILS

For	Per	Date and Time
Friday.		
Haiphong	Corneville	Fri., Feb. 21, 2 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haining	Fri., Feb. 21, 3 p.m.
Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island—due Thursday Island, 5th March	Kitano Maru	Fri., Feb. 21, Reg., Feb. 21, 4.15 p.m. Letters, Feb. 21, 5 p.m.
*Shanghai, *Japan and *San Francisco (Due San Francisco, 15th March)	General Lee	Fri., Feb. 21, 5 p.m.
*Manila and *EUROPE via Marseilles, and Parcels only for Germany via Hamburg (Due Marseilles 15th March).	Gneisenau	Fri., Feb. 21.
Saturday.		
Letters for "Imperial Service"—due London, 6th March	Cathay	Sat., Feb. 22.
Letters for "K.L.M. Service"—due Amsterdam, 2nd March.		
Straits, Ceylon, India, East and *South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles (Due Marseilles, 20th March)	Cathay	Sat., Feb. 22.
Shanghai, Japan and *Europe via Siberia	Athos II	Sat., Feb. 22, 1.30 p.m.
Hoihow, Pakhoi and Haiphong	Kwangtung	Sat., Feb. 22, 2.00 p.m.
Amoy	Kingyuan	Sat., Feb. 22, 3.30 p.m.
Letters for "Singapore—Australia Service"—due Darwin, 3rd March.	Rio de Janeiro Maru	Sat., Feb. 22.
Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa.	Rio de Janeiro Maru	Sat., Feb. 22, 4 p.m.
*Straits, *Ceylon, *India, *E. and *S. Africa, Egypt and *Europe via Brindisi. (Due Brindisi, 15th March).	Conte Verde	Sat., Feb. 22.
Sunday.		
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Canton Maru	Sun., Feb. 23, 9 a.m.
Shanghai and Japan	Somali	Sun., Feb. 23, 9 a.m.
Monday.		
*Japan and *Canada. (Due Victoria B.C., 18th March).	Tyndareus	Mon., Feb. 24.
Fort Bayard, Hoihow, Pakhoi and Haiphong	G. G. Paul Doumer	Mon., Feb. 24, 1 p.m.
Straits, Aden and *Europe via Marseilles. (Due Marseilles, 25th March).	Memnon	Mon., Feb. 24.

K.P.O.	G.P.O.
Reg., Feb. 21, 3.30 p.m.	Reg., Feb. 21, 4.15 p.m.
Letters, Feb. 21, 4.30 p.m.	Letters, Feb. 21, 5 p.m.
Reg., Feb. 22, 8.30 a.m.	Reg., Feb. 22, 9 a.m.
Letters, Feb. 22, 9 a.m.	Letters, Feb. 22, 9.30 a.m.
Parcels, Feb. 21, 4.30 p.m.	Parcels, Feb. 21, 5 p.m.
Reg., Feb. 22, 9 a.m.	Reg., Feb. 22, 9.45 a.m.
Letters, Feb. 22, 10 a.m.	Letters, Feb. 22, 10.30 a.m.
Reg., Feb. 22, 3 p.m.	Reg., Feb. 22, 3.30 p.m.
Letters, Feb. 22, 3.30 p.m.	Letters, Feb. 22, 4 p.m.
Reg., Feb. 22, 3.30 p.m.	Reg., Feb. 22, 4.15 p.m.
Letters, Feb. 22, 4.30 p.m.	Letters, Feb. 22, 5 p.m.
Reg., Feb. 24, 3.30 p.m.	Reg., Feb. 24, 4.15 p.m.
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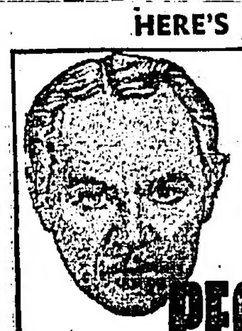

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MARKET UPWARD YESTERDAY

New York, Feb. 20.

Swan, Culbertson & Fritz Dow Jones summary of yesterday's market: Railroad stocks gained from one to five points on the belief that this week's carloadings will be the year's best. Led by railroads, the entire List to-day advanced, including utility issues. Territory traders are impressed with the market's ability to overcome profit-taking and liked the reports of increasing machinery orders and increasing construction awards. The industrial average is the highest since 1931, the railroad average is the best since 1934, whilst the utility average is near the year's high mark. Automobile shares were very active and numerous high levels for the year were reached. Railroad securities made the best gains. There was a demand for oil issues, led by Standard Oil of New Jersey stocks. Liquors were strong and constructions were buoyant. Mercantile stocks, farm equipment and steel shares have advanced. The market for bonds was upward. Stocks on the Curb Exchange were higher.

Swan, Culbertson and Fritz *Wall Street Journal* comment:— "Cigaretto manufacturerers will save at least $13,000,000, due to the invalidation of the Processing Tax. The Chevrolet car has recovered its first place in automobile passenger car sales. Bankers do not expect any rise in call-money. Bad weather conditions have been materially hurting Woolworth's sales recently. Many authorities believe that the market's immediate position is facing a test and many traders are now tightening their accounts and are going to side-lines temporarily. Brokers expect heavier trading in the near future."

S. C. & F. New York office cables: Stocks: Stocks to-day were in renewed demand, with railroad issues in the lead and utility securities were firm. The Union Pacific Railroad Company has earned $6.54 per share for the year 1935, against $6.62 the previous year. The United Aircraft Corporation has earned 20 cents per share in 1935 against 50 cents the previous year. The Corporation's unfilled orders amounted to $15,804,000 at the end of 1935, against $7,583,000 at the end of 1934.

Cotton: Opposition is developing to the Smith plan for the sale of loan stocks of cotton. It is reported that there is a large increase in the Brazilian crop for 1936. The market is quiet.

Wheat: There was a technical adjustment in May contracts on the slight improvement in the foreign markets. There is some apprehension regarding damage to the crop by the cold wave, but we doubt if the crop will actually be affected.

Rubber: An early settlement to the Goodyear Tyre strike is expected. Dealers and manufacturers are again buying.

REUTER QUOTATIONS

Dow Jones Averages:	Feb. 19.	Feb. 20.
30 Industrials	153.09	154.43
20 Rails	49.63	51.27
20 Utilities	31.49	32.30
40 Bonds	102.84	103.02
11 Commodity Index	56.64	56.61

"TELEGRAPH" ART SUPPLEMENT

To-morrow's Picture Features

Numerous topical illustrations will appear in to-morrow's issue of the *Telegraph* Pictorial Supplement.

Weddings illustrated will include those of Lieut. C. Hamilton and Miss Beatrice Gerrard, Mr. John Walker and Miss Gladys Moore, Mr. V. R. Rodisnoff and Mrs. T. Bondoreva, Mr. C. H. Lo and Miss P. C. Yim.

The Colony's first mass marriage ceremony will also be shown, whilst groups will include the No. 7 Platoon of the East Lancashire Battalion (winners of the Manley Cup), and members of Eliot Hall, Hongkong University.

Pictures taken at the Fanling Races will also appear.

There will be, in addition, the popular entertainment and feature pages.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

LATEST SHARE QUOTATIONS

The following quotations on the London Stock Exchange have been received by Messrs. Swan, Culbertson and Fritz in conjunction with *Reuter*.

	Feb. 19.	Feb. 20.
British Government Securities		
War Loan 3½% redm. after 1952	£107¼	£107⅝
Chinese Bonds		
4½% Bonds 1898 (Eng. Iss.)	£103¼	£103½
4½% Loan 1908 .	£ 98	£ 98
5% Loan 1912 ..	£ 78½	£ 79¼
5% Reorg. Loan 1913 (Ldn. Iss.)	£ 92	£ 92½
5% Gold Bonds 1925-47	£ 94¾	£ 95¼
5% S'hai-Nanking Rly.	£ 68¼	£ 69
5% Tient.-Pukow Rly.	£ 36	£ 38
5% Tient.-Pukow Railway (Supl. Loan)	£ 34	£ 35
5% Honan Rly. .	£ 30	£ 30
5% Hukuang Rly. 1911	£ 46	£ 46
5% Lung Tsing U. Hai Rly. 1913 .	£ 18½	£ 19
Foreign Bonds and Banks		
German 7% Int. Loan 1924	£ 58½	£ 58½
Japan 5% Sterling Loan 1907	£ 79	£ 79
Japan 6% Sterling Loan 1924	£ 91¾	£ 91¾
H.K. & S'hai Bk. (Ldn. Regd.) ..	£102	£102
Chartd. Bk. of I.A. & C.	£ 15	£ 14⅞
Commercial and Industrial		
Allied Ironfounders	36/3	36/3
Associated & Elec. Industries	48/-	48/6
Austin Motors ord. sh.	51/6	51/3
Boots Pure Drug	56/9	56/9
British-American Tobacco (bearer)	127/6	126/10½
Canadian Celanese	112/6	112/6
Chinese Eng. & Min. (Bearer) .	13/9	13/9
Courtaulds	55/9	56/-
Distillers	102/6	102/6
Dunlop Rubber ..	39/3	40/-
Marks & Spencer "A" ord.	96/10½	97/6
General Electric (England)	81/-	80/9
Hawker Aircraft	34/3	34/-
Impl. Chem. Ind.	40/6	41/-
O.K. Bazaars	50/-	50/-
Impl. Tobacco ..	154/4½	154/4½
Rolls Royce	190/-	185/-
S'hai Elec. Constr.	46/-	46/-
Tate & Lyle	89/-	88/9
Turner & Newall	76/6	76/6
United Steel	36/-	35/6
Vickers ord.	27/4½	26/9
Guinness	154/-	153/-
Woolworths	122/9	122/9
Miscellaneous		
Anglo-Dutch	29/6	29/3
Gula Kalumpong Rubber	28/6	28/6
Pekin Synd.	2/-	2/-
Rubber Trusts .	34/-	34/-
Mines		
Burma Corpn.	10/4½	10/3
Commonwealth Mining	10/6	10/4½
Randfontein Estates	52/-	52/3
Cammellaird ord.	11/-	10/4½
Springs Mines ..	42/6	42/6
Sub-Nigel	240/-	240/-
Tanami Gold Mining	2/6	2/6
Marsman Investments	28/6	28/6
Oils		
Anglo-Iranian ...	90/7½	90/7½
Burmah	94/4½	93/9
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FRIDAY, FEB. 21, 1936.

BRITISH EDUCATION REFORM

Britain is at the moment engaged on a big scheme of educational reform, in which practically all aspects of the question are being taken in hand. It was only a few months ago that the Board of Education completed its proposals, but no time is being lost in developing the scheme, which is mainly concerned with the raising of the school-leaving age from fourteen to fifteen. The full programme requires some statutory changes, and thus the necessity has arisen of introducing a Bill on the subject in the House of Commons. It is an essential part of the scheme that local authorities are being required to survey their own educational fields and co-operate in devising a complete programme, when it will be possible to form an idea of the total cost involved. It is expected that an enormous sum will be required; it is already estimated that £12,000,000 will be required for improvements in technical and art education, which forms but one of the eight main plans proposed. These plans provide for the training of the children from infancy to adolescence. Provision will be made for children between the ages of two and five years to attend nursery schools and classes. There are at present five thousand such centres throughout the country, but these have proved insufficient and local education authorities have been asked to notify the Board of those areas which require further accommodation. This is the most prominent item in the programme, as it is considered most important that children should be given a good start in life if they are to profit from the general scheme, and this is impossible while there are many poor homes in the country where young children cannot be provided with the attention they require. Another item provides for the improvement of school buildings. As children are particularly susceptible to environment, it is obvious that, in order to reap full benefit from a high standard of teaching, they must work amid pleasant surroundings. The worst evils in this direction are to be found in elementary schools, and the Board is therefore increasing from twenty to fifty per cent. the present rate of grant payable on expenditure on elementary school buildings. The Board also proposes to provide for an increase in the rate of grant payable on the conveyance of children to school. This refers more particularly to children living in rural areas where they are obliged to travel to school by bus or train. In this connection it has been suggested that the authorities should provide school canteens where children may receive meals at a reasonably low cost. With regard to secondary schools, the maximum limit hitherto placed on the number of special scholarships awarded annually is to be removed. This is of great importance, for it will enable all children of sufficient ability to further their education under the secondary system, where before only a limited number, whose parents could not afford the requisite fees, enjoyed this privilege. Moreover the number of State scholarships from secondary schools into Universities is to be increased by twenty per cent. Particular stress is laid upon the importance of young people obtaining the career most suited to them. It is obvious that all types cannot be catered for, but by the furtherance of technical and art education much can be done to open prospective careers to large numbers whose talents would otherwise never be properly developed.

VANISHING RULERS OF EUROPE
Where Are They Now?
Asks Ian Ward
In the *News Chronicle*

IN 1910 eight foreign monarchs and seven heirs to thrones followed King Edward's body to Westminster. In 1936 there will be five foreign monarchs and four heirs to thrones accompanying that of King George V.

Only one, King Haakon of Norway, will have been present on both occasions; there are not so many kings as there were. . . .

For most of those monarchs present in 1910 it might be said that King Edward's funeral was their own. The last great gathering of the kings, the families who had owned Europe for hundreds of years, it is fortunate that many of them could not foresee, on that bright May morning, what was to come.

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THE HOHENZOLLERN from Germany, the Habsburg from Austria, the Romanov from Russia, the Bourbon from Spain, the Braganza from Portugal, the Osmanli from Turkey, not to speak of Saxony, Bavaria and Wurtemberg — each was there. Although representatives of some of their houses are here to-day, not one single house still rules.

The Kaiser was there. He was to be hustled, still protesting, into Holland, having refused officially to abdicate. There is, to-day, a field-marshal in Doorn, who dines, nightly, in his decorated uniform and still has his private correspondence delivered by courier. But neither the fact that he is now one of the most expert living woodchoppers, nor that he possesses a private fortune of some £40,000,000, can change, for this field-marshal, the terrible truth that he has not one soldier under his command.

The Archduke Francis Ferdinand of Austria was there. Proud of his reputation as the man who was putting Austria back on other peoples' maps, particularly that of the Bosnians and Herzegovinians. At the same time, a charming man, the most far-sighted politically in the Empire, well disposed to minorities and the Slavs, and who had the courage to marry in defiance of the most snobbish Court in Europe. His car went up the wrong street one day in Sarajevo and had to come back, slowly. . . .

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THE Grand Duke Michael of Russia was there. Brother of the Tsar, he became Regent for a short time in 1917. He was promptly murdered.

King Alfonso XIII. of Spain was there. Perhaps the most romantic figure of all—outside Spain. But he did not succeed in leaving Spain with nearly as much money as the Kaiser, and the method of his departure was even less creditable.

He did not die, and he was not properly arrested, deported interned or escorted. He simply got in a boat for Marseilles. Now, for the man with more titles than anyone in the world, there is only the family at Fontainebleau. And travelling. . . .

King Manuel of Portugal was there. One of the youngest and handsomest of all. A few months later, in that extraordinary palace perched on the hills at Cintra, built by a German colonel, he left a copy of an English illustrated paper open on the table, half read. There was no time to finish it and still get to the open sea. The paper is still there. The Braganzas are not.

The Hereditary Prince of the Ottoman Empire was there. In 1916 he committed suicide.

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THERE were others present who, although their descendants still rule, were as unfortunate as any of the foregoing.

George, King of the Hellenes, was assassinated in Salonika, at the head of his victorious army, in 1913. The Hereditary Prince of Serbia, later King Alexander of Yugo-Slavia, met his end quite recently, in Marseilles.

The King of the Belgians was killed rock-climbing. Tsar Ferdinand of Bulgaria was the luckiest, perhaps. This brilliant ornithologist was one of the oddest, and in many ways one of the shrewdest, though least attractive, of all modern monarchs. He had such a horror of disease—the sanitary equipment of Bulgaria was sketchy—that he had all his carriages disinfected every day.

Threatened, at the outset of his reign, with assassination, he said, "I resolved that if there were to be any assasinations, I would be on the side of the assassins." He ended his days peacefully at Coburg, in exile, collecting butterflies and flowers.

Apart from King Edward, these are the kings of to-day's ceremony: King Leopold of the Belgians, King Haakon of Norway, King Christian of Denmark, King Boris of Bulgaria and King Carol of Rumania. The heirs to thrones are Umberto, Prince of Piedmont, the Crown Prince Paul of Greece, and the Crown Princes of Sweden and Egypt. The Infante Don Alfonso of Spain and Prince Frederick of Prussia represent the past. . . .

It is difficult, when reflecting on these two funerals, not to speculate a little on kingship, its dangers and safeguards. Of all these monarchies, past and present, there is plainly one which finds itself in a unique position. Some have fallen, some hang in the balance, and some continue, as popular as ever.

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ONLY ONE IS stronger, more sure, and more popular in 1936 than it was in 1836, or in 1914, or 1918, or than ever before. It is our own.

The reasons are practically impossible for a foreigner, for instance, unless he be an intuitive expert, like M. Andre Maurois, to understand. M. Maurois recently made a very penetrating remark. He said that one of the reasons why we were the most enthusiastic monarchists in the world was because of the English Constitution, and he went on to say "the inimitable virtue of the Constitution is that it does not exist." This is perfectly true. Unlike that immovable bogey, the American Constitution, it is resilient, adaptable.

Above all, the King is never held responsible, and is consequently outside the ephemeral and dangerous play of politics. His function is to preside and, in presiding, to represent. *What he represents*, is England. He represents England because he is a man, and not an idea, because he inherits his position and does not have to scramble for it, and because he is the centre of social life.

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IN SHORT, HE is England—the England of charm, of splendour, of duty, of disinterestedness — the England that does not make mistakes, the ideal England. The value, the comfort of such a conception is inestimable. It is, so to speak, the no-knife-to-grind quality of it that is so important. Such a state of affairs could not have been deliberately, consciously constructed. It just grew.

Even then, it could not, in the last 100 years, have ever grown, had not the astonishing personal characters of our sovereigns made it possible.

King George was, technically, without power. But the power that he wielded by his example was an infinitely greater, more lasting, and more real power than that of any of Europe's most truculent dictators. Their secret is secret police, plus hysteria. His secret was altruism, plus patience.

They will fall, and kings who emulate them will fall, as they have done, like ninepins, since 1914. They may do their work, but they do it the wrong way and for the wrong reasons. For the satisfaction of ambition, for personal rewards. A King of England can have no ambitions, and as for rewards he prefers to bestow them.

There are many people who, from the highest motives, would like to bring the monarchy to an end in Englaind. They disapprove of some of the things it stands for. Well, it stands for a number of things, and among them we shall find fairness, tolerance, experience, a respect for the past and an open mind for the future. These are not bad things.

It is not a bad thing for a country to have a man in whom the aspirations and ideals of millions may concentrate. A man above politics. A man who is an example of selflessness, whose character teaches, in itself, one of the lessons that the contemporary world most needs to learn. A man like King George V. A man like King Edward VIII.

NOTES OF THE DAY

SAFETY IN THE AIR

Those concerned with British aviation do not lay too much stress upon high speed and the general efficiency of aeroplanes at the expense of the comfort and the safety of passengers. The accident figures show that flying is becoming steadily safer in British machines. This is true of both the Royal Air Force and civil aviation, in spite of apparent contradictory evidence in recent days. The number of fatal accidents to Royal Aircraft recorded for 1935 was twenty-five, involving forty-three deaths—which included nine killed in one accident. This is admittedly a higher figure than that of 1934, when twenty fatal accidents were attended by thirty-one deaths. Against this must be set an increase of ten squadrons in the strength of the service and the fact that the hours flown in 1935 have been appreciably higher than in 1934. It is believed that in no other air-force in the world is the average amount of flying mileage so great as in the British Air Force. The aggregate number of miles flown last year exceeded fifty million.

A similar story could be told of civil aviation. In 1935 there were twenty-three fatal accidents to civil planes, including air liners, and forty-eight people lost their lives; whereas in 1934 the number of fatal accidents was twenty-five, and forty-five lost their lives. But here again allowance must be made for the tremendous increase in the number of miles flown. The mileage covered by civil planes has not yet been estimated but there have been increases in air transport in all directions. In this connection the record of Imperial Airways deserves special mention. From 1933 to 1935 this Company carried 129,000 passengers and its aeroplanes flew a distance of 6,800,000 miles, but the recent accident to one of its planes off Alexandria was the first fatal one that had occurred since 1933.

TRAMP SHIPPING SUBSIDY

COMMONS APPROVES CONTINUATION

London, Feb. 20.

The President of the Board of Trade Mr. Walter Runciman, in moving the second reading in the Commons of the Government's Bill to continue the subsidy in aid of tramp shipping, amounting to two million pounds, and to make eligible for the grant certain vessels previously excluded, said on national grounds every effort must be made to preserve the efficiency of tramp shipping, which was one of the most valuable elements in the British Mercantile Marine.

Mr. Runciman reviewed the year's working of the subsidy and claimed it had resulted in benefit to all interests concerned in shipping, commenting, in the connection, with pleasure on the agreement reached by the National Maritime Board for the restoration of cuts in seamen's wages.

The rejection of the Bill was moved for the Labour Opposition by Mr. Shinwell, who contended that no case had been made out for continued expenditure of public money towards the promotion of private interests.

Sir Robert Horne supported the Bill, which he held was justified by the necessity for meeting subsidised foreign competition which has been driving British ships off the seas.

The second reading was carried by 234 votes to 126.

HIGHER WAGES

As the result of negotiations between shipbuilding employers and the Trade Unions, adult shipyard workers will receive in April an advance of two shillings per week, or 4 per cent. in the case of piece workers. The agreement is for a period of nine months.—*British Wireless.*

AMNESTY PROMISED FOR 30,000

Spanish Premier Will Free Prisoners

Madrid, Feb. 20.

Great enthusiasm has been aroused throughout Spain by the fact that the new Prime Minister, Senor Azana, has promised an amnesty for 30,000 political prisoners or exiles concerned in the abortive revolt of 1934.

The Prime Minister announced that this would be the first task of Parliament when it opens on March 16.—*Reuter's Bulletin Service.*

WELL-KNOWN COUPLE ENGAGED

Mr. Tony Liang And Miss Anna Tam

The engagement was announced this week between Mr. Tony P. K. Liang, son of Mr. and Mrs. Liang Yen-hing of Tientsin and Miss Anna Tam, daughter of Mrs. Tam of 324, Pokfulam Road.

Mr. Liang is the brother-in-law of Mr. Gordon Lum, the well-known Davis Cup player.

A dinner party was given by Mr. and Mrs. W. H. N. Tam at 324 Pokfulam Road on Wednesday evening to celebrate the occasion, among those present to congratulate the young couple being Sir Robert and Lady Ho Tung, Dr. and Mrs. H. I. Tsang, Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Lo, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. N. Tam, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Lum, Mr. W. C. Tang, Dr. and Mrs. Ernest To, Miss May Ung, Mr. and Mrs. Suffiad, Dr. and Mrs. T. C. Wong, Dr. and Mrs. C. H. Wan, and Miss Eva Tam.

Mr. Tony Liang is a student at Hongkong University, and his fiancee was a former pupil at St. Stephen's Girls' College.

BRITISH INDUSTRY BOOMING

HIGHEST INCREASE FOR YEARS

London, Feb. 20.

The Board of Trade index of industrial production in the United Kingdom in 1935 was seven per cent. greater than in 1934. The improvement was distributed throughout the four quarters, the advance in the second half of the year being slightly greater than in the first six months.

Activity in manufacturing industries was 7.7 per cent. greater last year than in 1934 and represents the highest recorded production in those groups since the calculation was first made in respect of 1927.

Index numbers for the December quarter, both for manufacturing industries and for all groups, represents the greatest volume of production in any quarter since information was first obtained.—*British Wireless.*

GREATEST TRAVEL AGENT

London, Feb. 20.

A new description of the King was made by Lord Stanley, presiding at a meeting of the Travel Agents' Association, when he stated that His Majesty is the greatest "Travel Agent," as his worldwide travels have done much towards the peace and prosperity of the world.—*Reuter's Bulletin Service.*

BRITISH SECRETS KNOWN IN ROME

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Britain is acting disinterestedly.—*Reuter.*

EDEN TO EXPLAIN

London, Feb. 20.

It is thought probable that the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Anthony Eden, will make a statement on the subject of the publication of the Maffey report in the House of Commons to-morrow morning. While the report in question was secret and intended only for the use of the Cabinet and Government Departments, its publication in Italy has caused mystification rather than embarrassment in London, since its contents dispose completely of the contention so frequently advanced in Italian propaganda that the attitude of the British Government towards the Italo-Abyssinian dispute has been actuated by self-interested motives, and make clear that the action taken together with other League Powers has been dictated purely by respect for obligations under the Covenant.

The report is that of an inter-departmental committee, set up to examine British interests in Ethiopia in preparation for meeting the request of the Italian Government at the beginning of last year for an exchange of views on the interests of the two Governments in that country.

Sir Samuel Hoare had occasion more than once last Autumn in reply to retrospective Italian complaints of dilatoriness, to refer to enquiries the Government had set on foot which had been overtaken by events including the Italian resort to war in disregard of the League Covenant.

The conclusions of the committee, which now have been published in Italy, have in fact been reflected in many statements of the Foreign Secretary and his predecessor in the House of Commons and were to the effect that the British interests in Ethiopia are limited to those the existence of which has been often admitted by Italy, and in respect of which the Italian Government's assurances have been fully accepted by British Government.—*British Wireless.*

STUDENT PIONEERS

MANY OF FIRST GROUPS STILL SURVIVE

Twenty-one out of the 120 students who during the Ching dynasty were the first Chinese sent to the United States for education are still living it was revealed at a "re-union" of six of the "old timers" in Shanghai recently when they met in honour of Mr. Yung Wing, the leader of the first 30 students, who were sent to Hartford, Connecticut.

According to the *Shun Pao*, the students selected to go abroad in those days were reluctant to leave their native shores and most of those who went had brothers or other relatives in the group. However, conditions have changed radically to-day and most Chinese students are only too eager to go abroad to study. The 120 students under the Ching dynasty government fellowships were sent abroad in four groups between 1872 and 1876. Most of the students came from the province of Kwangtung with a few from Kiangsu, Chekiang and Anhwei.

The following 21 members are still living.—First group: Chung Wen-yao, Wu Yang-tseng, to Lo Kuo-ji, Ouyang Keng, Yung Chang-chien and Kwong Yung-kuang.

Second: Wu Ying-keh, Wu Chung-hsien, Yung Kwei, Su Ju-chiu, Wen Ping-chung, Ting Chung-chih, Li Si-fu.

Third: Tang Shao-yi, Liang Ju-ho, Chou Chang-ling and Lin Pei-chuan.

Fourth: Liu Yu-lin, Kuang Ping-kuang, Tao Hsie-keng and Chou Chuan-lieh.

It is interesting to note that among the students in the third group Mr. Chou Chang-ling (now Sir Shou-son Chow) and Mr. Tang Shao-yi are residents of Hongkong.

Mr. Tang is the well-known diplomat and Prime Minister of the former Peking regime.

HELENA MAY CONCERT

ENJOYABLE HOUR OF LIGHT CHAMBER MUSIC

The few who attended the concert at the Helena May Institute yesterday evening were treated to a delightful hour of light chamber music. The music, almost all lively, was charmingly rendered by the artistes, Miss Prue Lewis, Mrs. H. Arnold and Mr. Lindsay A. Lafford, playing the violin, cello and piano respectively.

Miss Lewis' violin solos were perhaps the most outstanding items on the programme, "Molly on the Shore" (arr. Percy Grainger), being especially enchanting.

Another popular piece was Mr. Lafford's rendition of Beethoven's Sonata in F major.

"Autumn and Winter," by the trio was a delightful ending to a pleasant evening.

The programme was as follows:

Trio.—Waltz (from Serenade for String Orchestra) Melodie (from "Souvenir d'un lieu cher") ..... Tschaikowsky

Piano.—Sonata in F major (op. 10 No. 2) ..... Beethoven

Trio.—Syncopation Marcho Miniature ..... Kreisler

Violin.—English Dance ..... B. J. Dale

Breath O'June ..... J. B. McEwen

Molly on the Shore ..... arr. Percy Grainger

Piano.—Morris Dance Country Dance ..... York Bowen

Trio.—Serenade ..... Arensky

Bergeuse (from "Noure and Anitra Suite") ..... Ilijinsky

Autumn and Winter (from "the Season") ..... Glazounow

MR. EASTERBROOK RETIRING

LEAVES FOR HOME TO-DAY

ACTIVE CAREER OUTLINED

Mr. F. J. Easterbrook, M.C., M.C.I., M.I.ST.E., F.I.A.A., well-known architect and civil engineer, will be severing an association with the Colony extending over fourteen years, when he leaves for Home on retirement, accompanied by Mrs. Easterbrook, to-day. Mr. and Mrs. Easterbrook are sailing by the N.D.L. liner Gneisenau, and they will carry with them the sincere wishes of a large circle of friends for their future happiness and good health in the Old Country.

Mr. Easterbrook has had a varied and successful career in many parts of the world, and he also saw active service in the Great War, in which he won the Military Cross. He began his career in 1895 as an articled pupil with Messrs. Wiblin and de Boinville, architects and surveyors, at Plymouth, with whom he subsequently became an assistant. In 1900, he joined the Staff for Royal Engineer services as a civilian draughtsman,

in which capacity he was employed in Ireland and Gibraltar, resigning in 1906. He was then for several years in the Argentine Republic, on the Buenos Aires-Pacific Railway, being successively engaged as architectural draughtsman, assistant engineer, engineer in charge, senior draughtsman and chief of the technical office.

For over two years, he was an engineer contractor in the Argentine and in 1913-14 he became Assistant Resident Engineer of the Argentine Transandine Railway.

WAR SERVICE

Then came the Great War, and Mr. Easterbrook secured a temporary commission, as Lieutenant, in the 6th Battalion of the South Wales Borderers, rising in three months to the rank of Captain. He proceeded to France in 1915 and participated in three major battles, including the Battle of Vimy Ridge, where he secured the M.C. decoration. He was afterwards transferred to the Royal Engineers and was appointed Officer Commanding No. 1 Light Railway Company. In 1918, he became acting Major.

After the war, he returned to England, still serving with the Royal Engineers, being Officer Commanding Royal Engineers at Newhaven, Division Officer Royal Engineers at Seaford, and temporary Staff Officer of the Eastern Command. Later he was given a permanent commission on the Staff for Royal Engineer Services and became Division Officer, Royal Engineers, at Maresfield and Crowborough, and in 1922 was appointed Superintending Inspector of Works, China Command, in Hongkong.

On resigning his commission, in 1923, he joined the Hongkong Engineering and Construction Co., Ltd., as a civil engineer, and later became assistant manager of this concern. In 1926, he established himself as a consulting engineer, and in the following year he joined the architectural department of the Hongkong Realty and Trust Co., Ltd. Subsequently, he became architect and civil engineer with the China Light and Power Co., Ltd., and in 1930 joined the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., in the same capacity, from which position he has just retired. In this latter capacity, he was responsible for designing and supervising the erection of the Company's big new piers.

LOCAL ACTIVITIES

Apart from his professional career, Mr. Easterbrook has taken a prominent part in the social life of the Colony, being a very keen Life member of the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club, having served on the Rowing and Sailing Committees as well as being Hon. Secretary. He has also been a valuable member of the Committee of the Kowloon Residents' Association, in which connection he has rendered valued services to various sub-committees in connection with municipal projects on the Peninsula.

During the 1927 "trouble," Mr. Easterbrook joined the local Volunteers as a private, at which time his son was a Sergeant in the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps.

Mr. and Mrs. Easterbrook have two sons, both electrical engineers, one of whom is with the China Light and Power Co., Ltd., and the other at Home.

BUICK CARS POPULAR

PRODUCTION RECORD REPORTED

With sales breaking all past depression records and for the early part of December setting an all-time high, Buick production will pass the 100,000 mark this year for the first time since 1930, Mr. Harlow H. Curtice, president, states.

Commenting on gains made by the company since the introduction of its 1936 models, Mr. Curtice pointed out that December production schedules, calling for more than 16,000 cars, will bring total output for the year to 107,584 units, a gain of nearly 50,000 over last year, when 78,757 cars were produced, and comparing with 40,620 in 1933.

The heavy gain in the production rate resulting from the introduction of new models is indicated, he said, in the fact that Buick has produced more 1936 models in less than four months than the total of the 1935 model output. Since they were entered in production, 57,800 of the 1936 cars have been built as compared with 53,249 for the entire 1935 model year.

Mr. Curtice indicated Buick production in 1936 will average approximately 14,000 cars a month to meet the 150,000 car programme scheduled for the model year.

The all-time sale record was established during the first 10 days of December when 3,459 units were delivered to retail customers in the United States. This was the largest volume for this period in the history of the company, exceeding the previous peak of 3,395 cars delivered during the corresponding period of December in 1926. In that year, the executive pointed out, Buick produced more than a quarter of a million cars.

U.S. COMMODITY PRICES

LATEST CABLED QUOTATIONS

The following quotations on the New York commodity exchange are issued by *Reuter.*

New York Cotton	Feb. 19.	Feb. 20.
March	11.34	11.36/38
May	10.91	10.85/85
July	10.60	10.54/55
October	10.25	10.20/20
December	10.20	10.22/22
January	10.22n	10.26/26
Spot	11.55	11.50
New York Rubber		
March	15.43	15.55b
May	15.54	15.70 /70
July	15.66	15.77 /78
September	15.75	15.88b/90
December	15.95	16.00
Total sales:		127 lots.
Chicago Wheat		
May	98⅝	98⅞/99
July	88⅝	88⅛/88⅝
September	88	88 /88
Wednesday's sales:		14,139,000 bushels.
Chicago Corn		
May	61½	61⅜/61¼
July	61⅝	61¼/61⅝
Winnipeg Wheat		
May	83⅝	83⅝/83⅝
July	84¼	84⅜/84⅜
October	83¼	83⅜/83⅜
New York Silk		
March	1.70½	1.65 b/66
May	1.69	1.65 /65
July	1.66½	1.61½ /63

EXCHANGE

TO-DAY'S OPENING QUOTATIONS

Selling	
T.T.	1/3⅛
Demand	1/3½
T.T. Shanghai	106¾
T.T. Singapore	55
T.T. Japan	110¼
T.T. India	85⅝
T.T. Frisco & New York	32¼
T.T. Java	46¾
T.T. France	4.82
T.T. Manila	64½
T.T. Bangkok	143½
T.T. Saigon	48
T.T. Lisbon	6$95
Buying	
4 m/s. L/C.	1/4⅛
4 m/s. D/P.	1/4⅛
6 m/s. L/C	1/4⅛
4 m/s. San Frisco & New York	33⅝
4 m/s. France	5.05⅝
New York—London	4.98

EXCHANGE RATES

	Feb. 19.	Feb. 20.
Paris	74.47/64	74.45/64
Geneva	15.10½	15.10
Berlin	12.28½	12.28
Milan	62⅛	62.1/16
Athens	517	515
Shanghai	1/2.9/16	1/2½
New York	4.99⅝	4.98⅞
Amsterdam	7.27	7.26½
Vienna	26½	26½
Prague	119	118⅞
Bucharest	669	668
Madrid	36.1/16	36.1/16
Lisbon	110⅛	110⅛
Hongkong	1/3⅜	1/3⅜
Bombay	1/6⅛	1/6⅛
Brussels	29.30	29.27½
Monte Video	39⅝	39⅝
Belgrade	217	217
Montreal	4.99	4.98⅝
Yokohama	1/2.1/32	1/2.1/32
Rio	4¼	4¼
Silver (Spot)	20.1/16	20
Silver (forward)	17⅞	19.13/16
War Loan	107.3/16	107⅝

—*British Wireless.*

The Japanese gunboat Saga arrives in harbour to-day from Canton and the cruiser Yubari is expected tomorrow from the North for a brief stay. The U.S.S. Ashville leaves today.

RADIO BROADCAST

Commentary on New Zealand Rugby Match

B.B.C. DANCE ORCHESTRA

From Z.B.W. on a wavelength of 355 Metres (846 kilocycles):

4.5 p.m. Chinese Programme.

5-6.15 p.m. A running commentary on the Rugby Football Match between New Zealand Universities and Hongkong from the Hongkong Football Club Ground.

6.15-7 p.m. Chinese Programme.

6.30-7 p.m. Children's Studio Concert.

7-7.30 p.m. Orchestral Music. The Music of the Spheres (Josef Strauss, Op. 235); Summer Night on the River (Delius); Carissima (Elgar); Salut D'Amour (Elgar); Alborada del Gracioso (Ravel).

7.30-7.50 p.m. Hawaiian Selections. Chiquita—Waltz (Wayn); Drifting and Dreaming; On the Dreamy Moana Shore (Dyson); Honolulu March; Kohala March; Sweet Hawaiian Maid.

7.50-8 p.m. From the Studio. "New Books Worth Reading" by D.E.A.

8 p.m. Time and Weather Report; Stock Quotations.

8.05-8.10 p.m. "Silly Symphonies" (arr. Munro).

8.10-8.20 p.m. From the Studio. "The Race Meeting" by Valley.

8.20-8.40 p.m. From the Studio. A Pianoforte Recital by Caroline Braga.

Programme

1. Prelude and Fugue in D Minor. No. 30. . .Bach; 2. Poem, Op. 4 No. 4 . . .Fibich; 3. Cradle Song (refrain do Berceau). . .Palmgren; 4. Shadow Dance, Op. 39, No. 8. . .Macdowell; 5. Deux Arabesques in A Major and G Major. . .Debussy.

8.40-9 p.m. A Relay from Daventry. The B.B.C. Dance Orchestra, directected by Henry Hall.

9-9.20 p.m. Daventry News Bulletin.

9.20-9.30 p.m. "Melville Gideon Medley."

9.30-9.40 p.m. A Relay from Daventry. "The British Industries Fair, 1936" by V. A. Lowinger, C.B.E.

9.40-10 p.m. The J. H. Squire Celeste Octet. Ave Maria (Schubert, arr. Willoughby); Spring Song (Mendelssohn, arr. Willoughby); Andante Cantabile (Tschaikovsky, arr. Willoughby); La Paloma—Spanish Serenade (Yradier); O Sole Mio (di Capua).

10 p.m. Big Ben.

10-11 p.m. Dance Music.

11 p.m. Close Down.

ZEESEN PROGRAMMES

This Evening's Broadcast From The German Short-Wavers

Special programmes for Far Eastern listeners will be broadcast from Zeesen as follows:

DJB 19.74 m 15.200 kc 1.30-3 p.m.
DJB 19.74 m 15.200 kc 4.45-6.15 p.m.
DJN 31.45 m 9.540 kc. 4.45-6.15 p.m.
DJB 19.74 m 15.200 kc 9 p.m.-12.30 a.m.

SOUTH ASIA ZONE

(South Asia Zone, broadcast from DJB. (19.74 metres) and DJN (31.45 metres).

4.45 p.m. Call DJB, DJN (German, English). German Folk Song. Programme Forecast (Germ., Engl.)

5 p.m. Brass Band.
5.30 p.m. News in English.
5.45 p.m. The Importunate Widower.
6.30 p.m. Good-night Programme.
6.45 p.m. News in German.
7 p.m. Concert of Light Music.
8 p.m. News in English.
8.15 p.m. Concert of Light Music (continued).
9 p.m. Close DJB. DJN (Germ., Engl.)

EAST ASIA ZONE

East Asia Zone broadcast through DJQ on 19.68 metres (15,280 k.c.) 1.30-3 p.m. Concert, news at 2 p.m.

9.05 p.m. Call DJA, DJB, DJN (Germ., Engl.) German Folk Song. Programme Forecast (Germ., Engl.) Letterbox for Dutch East Indies.
9.15 p.m. Introducing!
9.45 p.m. News in English on DJA and in Dutch on DJB. DJN.
10 p.m. Brass Band.
11.15 p.m. News in German on DJA. DJB. DJN. Close down DJB.
11.30 p.m. To-day in Germany. Sound Pictures.
11.45 p.m. German Dances.
12.10 a.m. News in English on DJA and in Dutch on DJN.
12.30 a.m. Close DJA, DJN (Germ., Engl.)

DAVENTRY PROGRAMMES

To-day's Broadcasting From Six Transmissions

The following wave-lengths and frequencies are observed by Daventry.

Call Sign	Frequency	Wavelength
GSA	6,050 k.c.	49.59 metres
GSB	9,510 k.c.	31.55 metres
GSC	9,585 k.c.	31.30 metres
GSD	11,750 k.c.	25.53 metres
GSE	11,865 k.c.	25.28 metres
GSF	15,140 k.c.	19.82 metres
GSG	17,790 k.c.	16.86 metres
GSH	21,470 k.c.	13.97 metres
GSI	15,260 k.c.	19.66 metres
GSJ	21,540 k.c.	13.93 metres
GSL	6,110 k.c.	49.10 metres

Transmission 5

(G.S.D. and G.S.C.)

7 a.m. Big Ben. "How's That?" A variety entertainment compered by Ralph Ceram.

7.45 a.m. A Recital by David Martin (Canadian Violinist).

Greenwich Time Signal at 8 a.m.

8.5 a.m. "Dragons and All That."

8.45 a.m. The News.

9 a.m. Close down.

Transmission 6

(G.S.C. and G.S.L.)

11 a.m. Big Ben. The B.B.C. Empire Orchestra.

Greenwich Time Signal at 11.30 a.m.

11.45 a.m. The News.

12 p.m. Close down.

Transmission 1

(G.S.F. and G.S.H.)

3.15 p.m. Big Ben. "Empire Mail Bag" (4th Edition).

4 p.m. The Glasebury Prize Band.

Greenwich Time Signal at 4.15 p.m.

4.45 p.m. Talk: "Imperial Affairs."

5 p.m. The News and Announcements.

5.20 p.m. Close down.

Transmission 2

(G.S.J., G.S.H. and G.S.B.)

7 p.m. Big Ben. The B.B.C. Welsh Orchestra.

7.45 p.m. Scots Song Recital.

Greenwich Time Signal at 8 p.m.

8.10 p.m. Talk: "Conquest of the Air—I."

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Captain Foster Reviews Prospects: Training Times

THE FIRST FOUR EVENTS

MOST LIKELY PONIES

UNCERTAINTY OF STARTERS CREATES DIFFICULTY

(By "Captain Foster")

I sincerely trust readers will appreciate that it is not an easy job to make a tip, owing to the fact, that practically all the ponies have two or more engagements per day at the Annual Race Meeting and under the circumstances, the task in ascertaining where they are going to start has always been a nasty problem for any tipsters. With no help from the owners, there is undoubtedly no other recourse than to employ horse-sense to the best of one's knowledge.

As an instance, the renowned Liberty Bay has been entered for the opening event, the Foochow Cup over 1¼ miles and also the last race of to-morrow's programme, the New Stables Plate, from the Two Mile Post; once round and in. To the best of my experience, the owner will probably start Liberty Bay in the latter race which is a shorter event, as on Monday, Mr. Dunbar's unbeaten Bay gelding has an important engagement in the Challenge Cup which is over 1¾ miles. If Liberty Bay starts in the Foochow Cup, the distance is one and a half miles, and this, plus 1¾ miles, would mean the running of 3¼ miles for Liberty Bay in two days.

FOOCHOW CUP

However, the Foochow Cup will not draw many acceptors and with Liberty Bay out of the field, King's Warden should have no difficulty to pass the Post first with Diana Bay and Herod following in the rear.

At time of writing, I have not as yet a list of the probable starters for the First and Second Sections of the Wong-Nei-Chong Stakes and the distance of this event is half-a-mile. The position of the draw is very important in sprint races and it would be advisable for punters to ascertain this before making their final selections. The Wong-Nei-Chong Stakes has always been noted for paying out handsome dividends and it will be recalled that last year, Strathaird handed out $344.80 for a win to the delight of eight successful backers. I am of the opinion that Cassius, Hawthorn, Heriot, Judea, Merry Jester, Ocean View, Peter Davey, Rose Evelyn, Strathalan and The Hero are speedy merchants and the best is between Hawthorn, Ocean View, Rose Evelyn and The Hero. My final selections will appear in Saturday's issue.

MAIDEN STAKES

Owing to the number of Derby Griffins being less than the previous years, The Stewards had no other alternative but to abolish a few Griffins' races and under the circumstances, the Maiden Stakes over six furlongs should have a big field. We shall certainly see a good race between Forest View, King's Sceptre, Laughing Girl, Royal Consort, Royal Wedding Eve and Tyne, and with no "unforeseen" occurring, Mr. Harriman on Royal Consort should score his initial win.

I think our Six Furlongs' course is the worse and the effect of the draw is important. Our course is a right hand one and being an oval, I consider that big numbers of the draw are the best. However, it will be remembered that Royal Consort was well up with Royal Scot when the latter performed a sensational gallop over a mile in 2.06.1/5., and the first three-quarters of the circuit were covered in 1.35.2/5. I am figuring on Thunder Bay starting in the Trial Plate but should he put up an appearance in this event, this Roan of Mr. Dunbar is dangerous.

SYDNEY MAIDEN STAKES

The Sydney Maiden Stakes confined to Australian Ponies over Six Furlongs will be sub-divided into two sections by the Stewards and so far I have not seen the result of the draw. I am sure the best race of the Meeting will be these two events and spotting the winner in either is just like trying to solve a problem.

I have maintained all along in my notes that in this year's bunch there were more sprinters than stayers and it will not surprise me in the least if the record of six furlongs is shattered to-morrow provided the state of the going is good. There were several fast sprints during the training and considering that our Course is an oval one, the times returned were marvellous.

Last Thursday, Zodiac was given a try-out over a mile and nobody seemed to have the mile timed correctly. The mare came out very late and with the flag-man off his post, some believed that the mile was covered in 1.52 and others made it in 1.53 and more. There was no dispute over the last three-quarters of a mile, namely, 1.24.1/5 and the last quarter was negotiated in 26.2/5 seconds.

It is interesting to observe that the present record is 1.17.2/5 and considering that Zodiac's gallop took place on the training track, the performance was exceptionally good.

Another outstanding gallop which came under my observation was that of Strathroy who did the mile in 1.57.4/5 last Saturday, finishing the last quarter in 27.1/5 seconds, and the last six furlongs were covered in useful time of 1.24.4/5. Mr. Black was riding the pony and believe me, the animal was full of running.

Mention was made long ago about the dark gallop of Able Warrior doing the mile in 1.58 flat and one must now agree that this was not fabricated. We certainly cannot overlook the performance of Yo Ho who last week took 2.31.3/5 to journey the Champion course and his last mile was 1.56.1/5. Then what about Centre Court, Electron, Holiday Eve, Lancashire Lad, Shek-O Fox and The Dunlin. Are they to be left out in the cold? In my estimation, these two events are very open.

CHINA STAKES

There should be no difficulty in spotting the winner in the China Stakes over Five Furlongs owing to the presence of Soldier of Britain, who will be under the captaincy of Mr. D. S. Li. This soldier is very quick out of the barrier and is fast for short distance. Oak Bay, who lost this race to Soldier of Britain last year by a short head, may upset the apple cart. Gladiator is in fine fettle and he should get a place. King's Bounty, King's Fancy and Mistake May will certainly line-up for a run.

RACING DRAW

Entries Divided For Annual Meeting

The draw made by the Hongkong Jockey Club for the Wongneichong Stakes has resulted as follows:

First Section.—Celebration Time, Fidelity, Gold Eagle, Heriot, Humber, Locksmith, Merry Jester, Mountain View, Rose Evelyn, Satan, Siamese Cat, Silver Lining, Supercharge, Unicorn and Yellow Fish.

Second Section.—Blue Sailor, Gunsmith, Hawthorn, Ideal Day, Judea, Lancashire Loom, Ocean View, Paymaster, Peter Davey, Potlatch, Public Hero No. 1, Rugby Star, Stopwatch, Strathalan, The Hero and Wild Cat.

Sydney Maiden Stakes

The following is the draw for the Sydney Maiden Stakes:

First Section.—Able Warrior,

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Mr. Leo Frost, Colony's champion jockey, who will undoubtedly figure prominently among the winners during the next week. (Photo Kobza).

THE MAIN EVENT

PROSPECTS FOR TRIAL PLATE

ROYAL SCOT THE BEST PONY

(By "Captain Foster")

The main event is the Trial Plate over 1¼ miles confined to bona fide Griffins of this Meeting and the winner is to receive $1,000. Second pony is to get $300 and the third prize is $200. There are 25 entries.

There is no better tool than the stopwatch to ascertain the speed of an animal and this can be gauged by the fine performance of Bear Claw's gallop over 1½ miles last Saturday. Bear Claw (Mr. Frost) and Pontiac Bay (Russian Boy) were given a speed test over the Derby course and they took 3.21 flat to travel the journey. It was, without exaggeration, a well timed gallop and the finish was very impressive. The home run was done in 30.2/5 seconds and the last half was covered in 1.02.2/5., with a time of 1.39.1/5., for the last three-quarters of a mile. It must be noted that the last mile was galloped in 2.12 flat and the Champion course was negotiated in 2.45.2/5.

TO BE RESERVED

Bear Claw has certainly speed and energy and it must be admitted that it was the best gallop of this Season among the Derby griffins. I hear that Bear Claw will not fail in for the Trial Plate and his first public appearance will therefore be in the Hongkong Derby. Mr. Eu Tong-sen's Rosemary, a potential winner of the Hongkong Derby, was not on the course yesterday morning and is reported to be lame. Her chances to start at the Annual Meeting are very remote, this being the second occasion that the mare has had to stop work.

With the absence of Bear Claw and Rosemary from the Trial Plate, there should be a thoroughly good race between Honeymoon Eve, King's Lead, Royal Scot and Thunder Bay, and Royal Scot should make his acquaintance with the Judges. The winner of this classic will undoubtedly find a strong opposition in Bear Claw.

GORILLA SHOULD WIN VALLEY STAKES

(By "Captain Foster")

What is there in the Valley Stakes? Every owner is anxious to annex this race. At the Selling Lotteries to be held this evening, the Stewards of the Hongkong Jockey Club have included the Valley Stakes and incidentally, the second leg of the Daily Double event is on this contest. The race is confined to Subscription Griffins over six furlongs and there should be over ten starters.

I cannot see any Sub. better than The Gorilla and this pony should give Messrs. Tester and Abraham their first coveted Valley Stakes. Balios, Gold Sovereign, Mountain View and Wild Cat will give The Gorilla a good run for the money's worth. Gold Sovereign went very well last Sunday, covering the mile in 2.10.2/5., and the last quarter was galloped in 31.3/5 seconds. I fancy he has a good chance in the second plate and Wild Cat should fill the third position in the frame. Balois is not out of the race and the pony will do better over a mile. Judea, Lancashire Loom, Rugby Star, Stopwatch, Strathalan and Unicorn will have better chances after the first two days' racing.

OLD COURSE PLATE

The Old Course Plate over 1¼ miles will bring out the Extra Meetings' stalwarts and we should see a fine race between Cossack's Beauty, Hetman and Ribble. All these three ponies are in the pink of condition and I believe that Cossack's Beauty will just manage to do the trick.

BENDIGO STAKES

The penultimate event, the Bendigo Stakes over a mile is confined to Australian Ponies that have not won more than $3,000 in stakes during 1935.

The conditions of the race have debarred Able Amazon and should therefore be an interesting contest between Halcyon, Saucy Face, Snowy River, Vixen Tor and the Stars.

The Kong Bros. have three representatives, namely, Bobnink Star, Night Star and Shooting Star, and I am inclined to think that this outfit will depend upon Shooting Star to win.

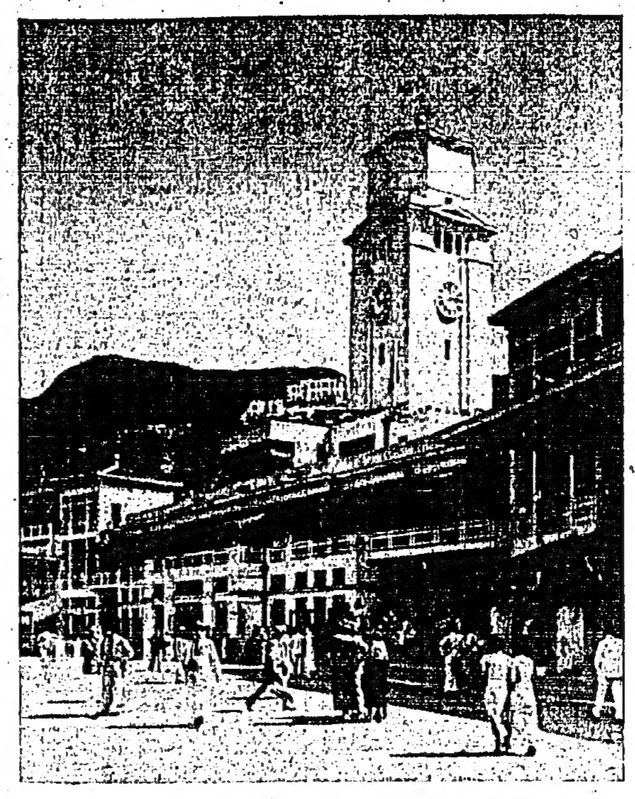
Lady Southern's Halcyon is in fine fettle and so is Snowy River. Both these two ponies put up a very good gallop last week and they finished gamely. Saucy Face is in good condition.

Vixen Tor, after her last outing when she ran second to Able Amazon in the Queensland Autumn Champions, should start a hot favourite for this event, but it must be borne in mind that this lady will not have the service of Mr. Ralph, who will not be seen in action owing to his nasty fall at Fanling over the sticks. It will be recalled that all her three wins and a second after the recess last year were piloted by Mr. Ralph and the combination was hard to beat.

NEW STABLES STAKES

The last race of the day, the New Stables Plate, over a course from the two mile post, once round and in, will be a "dead cert" for Liberty Bay and should be followed by King's Justice and Bright View.

FOCUS-POINT OF HONGKONG'S LEADING RACE-GOERS



The enclosure at the Hongkong Jockey Club which will present an animated scene similar to the above photograph when the annual meeting opens to-morow. (Photo: by Kobza).

TO-DAY'S TRAINING TIMES

SOME VERY GOOD GALLOPS THIS MORNING

The following are the training times returned by race ponies at Happy Valley this morning on the the eve of the Annual Meeting.

	Distance	1st Qr.	2nd Qr.	3rd Qr.	Last	
Honey	¾	25.1			25.1	A
Laughing Girl	¾	28.4			28.4	G
Laughing Buddha	¾	31			31	G
Humber	¾	32.4			32.4	S
Saucy Face	½	27.4	55.2		27.8	A
Snowy River	½	26.2	53.4		27.2	A
Royal Consort	¾	28.4			28.4	G
Kings Jubilee	¾	28.4			28.4	O
Strathroy	½	27.2	54		26.3	A
Trotan	¾	27			27	A
Hetman	½	29.2	58.3		29.1	O
Supercharge	½	38.3	1.12		33.2	S
Mountain View	¾	29.2			29.2	S
Victoria Hall	½	33	1.02.1		29.1	O
Gold Sovereign	½	33	1.02.1		29.1	S
Tyne	½	30	59.2		29.2	G
Boolat Bay	½	30	59.2		29.2	G
Great Hall	¾	29.2			29.2	O
King's Sceptre	½	29	57.3		28.3	G
King's Warden	½	29	57.3		28.3	O
Lucky Strike	¾	30.2			30.2	O
Cavalcade	¾	30.2			30.2	O
Strathalan	½	32.4	1.05		32.1	S
Vixen Tor	½	36	1.00.4		24.4	A
Royal Scot	¾	32.2	1.02.1	1.31.2	29.1	G
Royal Highness	½	29.4	1.00.2		30.3	G
The Dunlin	½	28.1	55.2		27.1	A
Shek-O Fox	¾		58.1		30	A
Soldier of Britain	¾	27			27	O
The Tiger	¾	29.4			29.4	O
Gold Coin	½	32.3	1.04.2		31.4	O
King's Lead	½	32	1.01.1		29.1	G
King's Bounty	½	32	1.01.1		29.1	O
Harvest View	½	28.3	59.3		31	O
Splendid View	½	28.3	59.3		31	O
Silversmith	¾	29.2			29.2	G
Mersey	¾	29.2			29.2	O
Rose Queen	½	33.3	1.04.4		31.1	O
Electron	½	26.3	53.2		26.4	A
Heriot	½	31	1.02.2		31.2	S
Philanderer	½	34	1.03.4		29.4	O
Estray	½	30.3	1.01.3		31	G
Night Star	½	29.4	59.2		29.3	A
Merry Jester	½	33.1	1.04.1		31	S
Shamrock	½	33.1	1.04.1		31	S
Lancashire Lad	½	28.3	54.4		26.1	A
Racing Boy	¾	30			30	O
Soldier of Victory	¾	30			30	O
Old Star	½	34.1	1.04.1		30	G
Dawn Star	½	34.1	1.04.1		30	G
Tinsmith	¾	27.1			27.1	A
Double Chance	½	34	1.05		31	O
Satan	¾	32.1			32.1	S
Balios	½	34.2	1.05.2		31	S
Hawthorn	½	34.2	1.05.2		31	S
Young Ghap	¾	29.1			29	O
Honeymoon Eve	½	35	1.03.3		28.3	G
Macaroni	½	35	1.03.3		28.3	O
Peter Davy	½	32	1.03.2		31.2	S
Foxbridge	½	32	1.03.2		31.2	O
Gold Eagle	½	33	1.04.2		31.2	S
Partnership	½	33	1.04.2		31.2	O
Belmont Star	¾	30.4			30.4	O
Valleys View	¾	31			31	O
Donovan	½	33	1.03.1		30.1	G
The Gorilla	½	29.4	59		29.1	S
Stopwatch	½	34	1.05		31	S
Amberley	½	33	1.04.1		31.1	G
Pontine Bay	½	31.2	1.01		29.3	O
Mistake Bay	½	31.2	1.01		29.3	O
Cassius	½	31.2	1.01		29.4	S
Benerth	½	31.2	1.01		29.4	G
Wildcat	½	31.2	1.01		29.3	S
Shooting Star	½	28.3	56.4		28.1	A
Canberra Girl	½	1.01	1.02		31	A

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Mr. Gilbert Harriman, another leading Hongkong jockey, expected to bring home several winners at the annual meeting. (Photo Kobza).

These Points Are Worth Noting

(By "Captain Foster")

THE Annual Race Meeting under the auspices of the Hongkong Jockey Club will be staged to-morrow, when at 11.00 a.m., the first saddling bell will be rung, and this indicates the opening of our 1936 racing season. After a lapse of over two months, the "Sport of Kings" will be resumed at the Valley and the Carnival will be continued on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and will conclude on next Saturday.

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THE Hongkong Jockey Club will start the ball rolling this evening at the Club House, Happy Valley, when two Selling Lotteries will be conducted on the Valley Stakes and the Hongkong Derby, and the cost of a chance is $5. It is open to members and their friends and all non-members must be introduced by a member and their names entered in the Visitors' Book. The drawing starts at 6.00 p.m.

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THE price of admission to the Public Enclosure is $2 per day including Tax for all persons including Ladies, and Soldiers and Sailors in uniform are admitted at half price. No children are permitted in either Enclosure during the first four days racing on any pretext, but will be admitted on the last day February 29, in the company of their parents.

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THE Tiffin interval during the first four days racing will be immediately after the fifth event, and the first saddling bell after lunch will be rung at 2.30 p.m. For the convenience of the Public, a Restaurant and a Bar are located at the South-East end of the Grand Stand.

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THE Judge's Box has been lowered, in line with the Race Course, and surely, the two Gentlemen inside the stall will not have such a good view of the races as they had before. There is as usual a lovely display of all sorts of beautiful flowers on the Lawns and the arrangement, especially in front of the Weighing Room, deserves great credit.

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A feature of the first day's Meeting is the order of the running of the Wong-Nei-Chong Stakes over half-a-mile for Sub-Griffins, which from time immemorial had been the opening event, whereas to-morrow, the Foochow Cup over 1¼ Miles will be the curtain raiser.

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THE sale of one Dollar Special Cash Sweep conducted by the Hongkong Jockey Club on the Hongkong Derby to be run on Monday has exceeded over 135,000 tickets and I figure that it will reach 150,000 mark.

Corinthians Defer League Decision

(By "Pangloss")

London, Jan. 28.

Will the Corinthian Football Club make the plunge and seek admission to the southern section of the Football League? For the present no definite answer can be given to this all absorbing question.

It is important, however, to state that a meeting of the Corinthian club committee was held last evening at the Sports Club, St. James's Square, London, and that the whole matter was fully discussed.

In reply to inquiries I learned from an official source that the decision had been deferred indefinitely. Last evening was the first occasion upon which the committee as such had discussed the proposal.

JAPANESE ARE GOOD RUGBY PLAYERS

SAYS N. Z. TEAM MANAGER

UNIVERSITIES XV BACK IN H.K.

Warm tribute was paid to the Japanese and their rugby by Mr. P. Martin Smith, manager of the New Zealand Universities rugby team, upon returning to Hongkong this morning. The Japanese, he said, played a bright game, concentrating on clever and snappy passing and were very quick indeed to learn from criticism and advice.

Mr. Smith brought back his victorious team on the N.Y.K. Kitano Maru, and this afternoon they will meet a selected Colony XV.

The New Zealanders have been severely afflicted by injuries and illness, which have persisted since they reached Japan until to-day, one of the players arriving here with a temperature of 100. But it is expected he will be fit to play.

NO INDIVIDUAL INITIATIVE

In an interview with a *Telegraph* correspondent, Mr. Martin Smith said the Japanese play quite a good game of rugby, being very bright in all their movements. Their passing is particularly good, and it seems they specialise in this.

They train most assiduously, but they play entirely as a team and without any individual initiative. They rely on passing until a man is right on the goal line.

"I consider that this explains the reason for the New Zealanders' success" added Mr. Smith.

The New Zealanders' extra weight, he continued, did not count for much, as the Japanese got the ball out of the scrum more than the New Zealanders. Their weight did not count in the pack because the Japanese packed much lower than they.

"The standard of play is going up very rapidly in Japan. They are quick to learn, and they often came to me for criticism and advice. I noticed in the last match they had picked up a lot of things from the previous games."

DUBIOUS ABOUT TO DAY

The New Zealand team said Mr. Smith, had had a pretty bad time with injuries and illness, and rarely had he been able to field the best team. They were still suffering from the effects and, he added,

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BADMINTON

GETTING UP TO DATE

FIRE BRIGADE'S 14TH MATCH

BEAT S. & S.

Several teams have made such good progress with their league badminton fixtures during the past week that they are now completely up to date and should have no difficulty in completing their schedules within the appointed time.

Among them is the Fire Brigade, who last night played their fourteenth men's doubles game, beating the Sailors and Soldiers Home by eight games to one.

Though the Brigade won by such a wide margin of games, several encounters were keenly contested, two of them being "setted".

Incidentally this was the twelth match of the S. and S. Home, who have still to record a win. Detailed scores and amended league table follow.

J. L. Anderson and G. Williams (Fire Brigade) beat J. Hall and M. Merritt 23-22; beat H. Harris and J. Heath 21-16; beat R. Brown and W. Sprague 21-18.

A. L. Fisher and G. H. Fowler (Fire Brigade) beat Hall and Merritt 21-7; beat Harris and Heath 21-14; beat Brown and Sprague 21-16.

W. Stoker and L. D. Skinner (Fire Brigade) beat Hall and Merritt 21-17; lost to Harris and Heath 11-21; beat Brown and Sprague 23-20.

LEAGUE TABLE

	P.	W.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
C.R.C.	13	11	2	90	27	22
Recreio "A"	9	9	0	70	11	18
St. Andrew's "A"	12	9	3	71	31	18
Recreio "B"	10	8	2	62	28	16
Eliot Hall "B"	13	8	5	65	43	16
Eliot Hall "A"	8	8	0	59	1	16
St. John's	15	8	7	69	66	16
Fire Brigade	14	7	7	54	69	14
V.R.C.	13	4	9	39	78	8
Taikoo R.C.	7	2	5	19	35	4
St. Andrew's "B"	13	2	11	30	78	4
Kowloon Tong	13	1	12	24	83	2
S. and S. Home	12	0	12	21	28	0

Varsity's Task Against Cricket Club

SPORT ADVTS.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

ANNUAL RACE MEETING, 1936.

22nd, 24th, 25th, 26th and 29th February, 1936.

On Saturday, 22nd, Monday, 24th, Tuesday, 25th, and Wednesday, 26th February, the first bell will be rung at 11.00 a.m., and the first race will be run at 11.30 a.m. On Saturday, 29th February, the first bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m., and the first race will be run at 2.00 p.m.

The tiffin interval will be taken after the fifth race on the first four days.

MEMBERS BADGES AND ENCLOSURE

Members are reminded that they and their ladies MUST wear their badges prominently displayed throughout the Meeting.

No one without a badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure.

Badges admitting non-members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at $10.00 per day including tax —or $40.00 including tax for the Meeting (ladies $5.00 and $20.00 respectively) are obtainable through the Secretary upon introduction by a member, such member to be responsible for all chits, etc.

Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will NOT be on sale at the Race Course.

The Secretary's Office, 1st floor, EXCHANGE BUILDING, (Tel. 27794) WILL CLOSE AT 10.00 a.m. ON THE FIRST FOUR DAYS, and at 12.00 NOON ON THE FIFTH DAY.

A limited number of tiffins will be obtainable each day at the Club House, provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Boy, Telephone No. 21920.

On no pretext will children be permitted in either enclosure during the first four days of the Meeting.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is $2.00 per day including tax for all persons including ladies and is payable at the Gate.

Soldiers and Sailors in uniform are admitted to the Public Enclosure at $1.00 per day including tax.

Bookmakers, Tic Tac men, etc. will not be permitted to operate within the precincts of The Hong Kong Jockey Club during the Race Meeting.

Tiffins will be obtainable in the Restaurant in the Public Enclosure.

SERVANTS' PASSES

Passes for Servants will be issued on application to the Secretary, 1st floor, Exchange Building.

Any persons found loitering with Servants' passes in their possession will forfeit the same and will be removed from the Enclosure.

By Order,

C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 17th February, 1936.

HONGKONG CRICKET CLUB TENNIS TOURNAMENT.

The closing date for entries for the above has been extended to Thursday, 27th February, 1936, and the Tournament will open on Monday, 9th March, 1936.

A. K. MACKENZIE,
Hon. Secretary.

FLOOR CRAFT

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TO WITHSTAND GROWDER ON GRASS PITCH

How Army Beat The Kowloon C. C.

(By R. Abbit)

I am afraid that these notes will be somewhat lacking in fullness—and that there will be no article on Tuesday but these Doctormen are difficult to argue with and with a bit of luck I hope to resume my notes this day week. The programme to-morrow will no doubt be a bit clouded by the first day of the race meeting and so it will not matter so much.

As things stand the K.C.C. and I.R.C. are resting according to the cards. The Army are at home to the Navy at Sookunpoo. At the moment of writing Branwell is away but I am not sure if he will be back for this game. He is, of course, the big "unknown quantity" in the Navy side. Garthwaite should be back for the Army and I understand that the strain that kept Elvin out of the side last week is better, though I have no sure information on that point. I rather fancy the Army for a win, but no League points are involved, according to the card.

The two League matches are between the Club and Varsity and Craigengower and the Civil Service—the first named sides being at home in each case. As regards the first, I think the Club are very likely to beat the University. The latter side have some very fair bats on their own ground and—as always—Gosano. As to whether the others will be able to play Growder on a grass wicket—for this is a big handicap to them of course—I do not know. Nor of course do I know how strong a side the Club are putting up.

To my mind the most interesting feature will be the doings of Gosano, and if he can come anyway near his recent performances, I most sincerely hope it will be possible to give him a place in our Interport side at Shanghai this year.

Away matches have helped many a young cricketer—as noticeably Teddy Fincher in our last visit to the F.M.S. where he was "blooded" to the Interport games, if I may use the phrase. I feel Gosano has everything but the confidence which an appearance in a big game gives. I know that I am not alone in this opinion.

As regards the other game Craigengower are bad to beat on their own ground. But my experience of last Saturday tells me that the Civil Service are a completely different side from that of previous seasons though the personnel has not largely changed. The fielding alone tells a story though there are still one or two fielders who crash the ball in at the wicket when there is palpably no chance of a run out. Apart from the question of overthrows, it is bad for the bowlers' hands,—and morale! I will go so far as to say that if they can make a good start with their batting they will not be beaten anyway. Incidentally I am interested to find that a point that I have stressed for years about League Cricket has become the regular practice and that is, if you want to win the game, put the other fellow in.

THE JUNIOR DIVISION

As regards the teams in the Junior Division two at least are resting—the H.K.C.C. and Navy second eleven. I have no information as regards the R.A.M.C. and the Sappers.

And that reminds me that I must acknowledge with thanks the receipt of a card from the R.A.S.C. Hon. Secretary.

Kowloon are at home to this last team and I think should win. The Recreio, also at home, should prove too good for the University second, while even though the Civil Service are on their own ground they will have to improve a lot to beat Craigengower.

The most important game as regards the Shield is the one between the Indians at home and the Police. If the latter side can pull off a win they become serious challengers for the Shield, while if I.R.C. win they are sitting pretty for the probable honours. I think the game will probably be decided by the ground, and I suspect the Police may not, owing to the Races, be able to field their full team as they have rather a lot of extra duty.

LAST SATURDAY'S CRICKET

From one cause or another I regret I cannot implement my article of last Tuesday as much as I had hoped. My readers however may be interested in the following account of the Army—K.C.C. non-League game by a player who will I hope accept my thanks here printed. I have had no time to write.

The Army won the toss and went in to score 228 runs for eight wickets in 115 minutes—the game starting at 2.15 p.m. Persse and Pritchard went in first but the latter hit over a yorker from R. Lee and was bowled. The same bowler sent down a beautiful ball to take Persse's wicket but not until he had collected a very pretty 30.

Then came Garthwaite's excellent 94, over which he took longer than usual, but as a knock it had no blemish. Dawson never settled down and the first time he had a go he was brilliantly caught and bowled by Hung off a tremendously hard hit.

Walch had his usual luck this year as he was out to a very hard catch taken one-handed by R. Lee who actually by his quickness made the chance look easier than it was, although it was right out on the boundary. Then Ballard, who is a much better bat than a lot of people realise, took a useful 27 and the innings was declared closed at 228 for 8, a score made by forcing cricket rather than by sheer slogging.

The tea interval lasted twenty minutes due I gather to some imbroglio with Rugger experts who were also using the Pavilion! Having seen them off, K.C.C. went in at 4.30 p.m. with 105 minutes to bat. "Elvin was absent owing to a strained muscle and Walch opened with Ballard and Pritchard." (N.B. This is what Artemas Ward called a 'goak', and refers to my last week's advice that the Army should open with Ballard and Elvin if Garthwaite was not available. It all comes out in the wa(l)sh you see!)

Teddy Fincher had for him, rather a lucky innings for 20 before Ballard got one past him. Arthur Lay continued to play a good and typical innings, (Arthur will please note that this is a quotation!) but no one could stay with him for any length of time. Ernie Fincher by the way was not playing.

Ballard bowled very steadily though Pritchard's spinners looked more wicket-taking. Then Persse and King came on with about 70 odd on the board, and the latter bowled Lay for an excellent innings of 76, while Persse picked up a couple of quick wickets. Later the original bowlers came back and Walch took a fine one handed catch at long leg off Ballard and Pritchard took the last wicket just fifteen minutes before time. An excellent match.

Well! That's that! and I hope to put in my next article on Friday next even if I do win the Sweep on the "Derby Horse Race." Meantime I am sorry these notes will appear too late to invite my readers to split a small Evipan with me to-day. *Adsit Omen.*

Our Daily Golf Hint

The non-success of many golfers can be traced to the fact that they try to play against the better judgment of their instincts. It is fatal.
—Josh Taylor.

Sheffield United Top The Table

HOME FOOTBALL RESULTS

London, Feb. 20.

Leicester sustained an unexpected reverse in their efforts to gain promotion to-day, when, playing before their own supporters, they were beaten by the lowly placed Bury by the odd goal in three. If Leicester had won they would have shared third place in the second division league table with Charlton.

Sheffield United went to the head of the table as a result of beating Blackpool by the only goal, but West Ham, who are a point behind, have one match in hand.

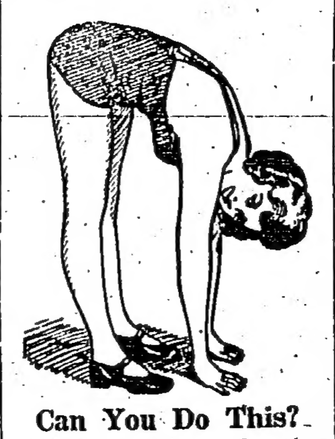
Results as cabled by *Reuter*, and the amended records of the leading teams in the league table are appended.

SECOND DIVISION

Leicester	1	Bury	2
Sheffield U.	1	Blackpool	0
Hull	2	Bradford C.	5

LEAGUE TABLE

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
West Ham ..	29	16	6	7	64	44	38
Sheffield U. .	30	17	5	8	62	36	39
Charlton	28	14	8	6	50	33	36
Tottenham ..	28	14	6	8	64	39	34
Leicester	29	15	4	10	55	38	34
Manchester U.	27	14	5	8	54	28	33
Blackpool ...	29	12	6	11	59	49	30
Plymouth	28	12	6	10	45	38	30
Doncaster ...	29	13	4	12	36	50	30



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INTERPORT HOCKEY TRIAL

TO BE PLAYED ON MONDAY

TEAMS CHOSEN

In connection with the forthcoming hockey Interport match with Macao, a trial game has been arranged for Monday, February 24, at 5 p.m. when the players named below are asked to turn out to play.

PROBABLES

A. B. Owens (Navy) and H. B. Souza (Radio): A. E. P. Guest (Radio) and Khan Bahadur (Army): L. Oliveira (Argonautas), W. A. Reed (Club) and Alaf Din (Army): Lieut. E. Robinson (Army), Sarnagat Singh (Radio), Awtar Singh (K.I.T.C.), D. Carey (Club) and Pte. Nolan (Army).

POSSIBLES

Sapper Howlet (Army) and Lt-Comdr. Garwood (Navy); Lt-Comdr. Broome (Navy) and Kishen Singh (Army); Lieut. J. P. Williams (Army), Sapper Brown (Army), and Lieut. Davies (Navy); G. E. R. Divett (Club), Lieut. C. Garthwaite (Army), Gurbachan Singh (Radio), Lieut. Burch (Navy) and Lal Singh (Army).

The Probables will play in white and the Possibles in colours.

The following have been chosen as reserves:—J. E. Potter (Club) and Cox (Army), backs; Lieut. Spencer (Navy) and A. Silva (Recreio) half backs; Lieut. Dawson (Army), Lieut. Wraith (Navy), J. Pinto (K.I.T.C.) and S. A. Fowler (Club).

A practice match "Colony v. Rest" will be arranged for 10.30 a.m. on Sunday March 1, on the R.N.R.C. ground, King's Park.

RACING DRAW

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Blandford, Centre Court, Electron, Gold Dragon, Holiday Eve, Honey, Merry Time, Silver Streak, Tinsmith, Violet Queen and Zodine.

Second Time.—A Grand Time, Canberra Girl, Double Finesse, Lancashire Lad, Perfect Day, Ranger, Sarie, Shek-O Fox, Strathroy, The Dunlin, Trojan and Yo Ho.

To-day's Training Times

(Continued from Page 8.)

Holiday Eve	½	27.2	54.1	26.4	A
Centre Court	½	27.4	55.1	27.2	A
The Hero	½	30	59.4	29.4	S
17th Of Sept.	½	30	59.4	29.4	O
High Honour	½	30	59.4	29.4	O
Plain View	½	33	1.06.3	32.3	O
Hopscotch	½	34.1	1.05.4	31.3	S
Valorous	¾	28.4		28.4	O
Ranger	½	33	1.00.1	27.1	A
Double Finesse	½	27.2	54.2	27	A
Blandford	½	27.2	54.2	27	A
Liberty Bay	½	31.1	1.01	29.4	O
Herod	½	31.2	1.00	29	O
Gladiator	½	31.2	1.00.2	29	O
Yellow Fish	¾	32.2		32.2	S
Siamese Cat	¾	32.2		32.2	S
Glorious View	¾	30.3		30.3	G
May Flower	¾	30.3		30.3	G
Paymaster	½	32.2	1.04	31.3	S
Lancashire Loom	½	32.2	1.04	31.3	S
New Star	½	31.4	1.04	32.1	O
Tiny Star	½	31.4	1.04	32	G
Yo Ho	½	30.1	56.3	26.2	A
Ocean View	¾	30.1		30.1	S
Copper Idol	¾	30.1		30.1	O
Rose Evelyn	½	32	1.03.1	30.1	S
Rousseau	½	32	1.02.1	30.1	O

TOO MANY CLUBS SPOIL GOLF

View Of United States Association

New York, Jan. 24.

The United States Golf Association thinks that American tournament players carry too many clubs and take too long over their shots. It has, therefore, issued a notice to the effect that unless they lighten their bags, the Association may restrict the number of clubs a competitor may carry; and golfers who are excessively deliberate in their play to the point of slowing up a match, may be disqualified.

Mr. John Jackson, President of the U.S. Golf Association, says in his annual report that for some time the Association has noted with concern the increasing number of clubs carried by tournament players. In the committee's opinion they minimised skill, made the game mechanical, increased the cost, and placed an unreasonably heavy burden on the caddie.

JAPANESE ARE GOOD RUGBY PLAYERS

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"We have got to play seven forwards and eight backs to-day, which makes me a bit doubtful about the game."

The crowds in Japan were big he said, though not so big at the last match as they expected. It numbered about 30,000. They found the Japanese referees remaining so faithful to the book of rules that often they were pulled up for technicalities which they did not at the time appreciate.

But the visit was in every way a big success. They felt satisfied with the performances given and were gratified with the results.

A motor trip round the Island was planned this morning for the visitors and at 5 o'clock this afternoon they will play Hongkong on the Club ground.

PHILLIPINES TENNIS

Manila, Feb. 20.

Leonardo Gavia defeated V. T. Wong in the semi-finals of the open singles tennis championship by 6-4, 6-2, 1-6, 6-4.—*United Press.*

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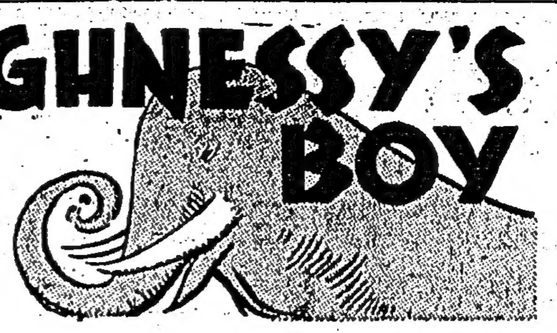

(SYNOPSIS: Windy O'Shaughnessy, world-famous animal trainer, had lost his right arm during a dangerous stunt, when Cora his wife, had deserted him, taking away his adored four-year-old son, Stubby. He finds him after eight years' search, only to discover that the boy hates him. So, though Hastings has taken Windy back in the circus, he finds he is a coward again. He cannot face the animals. Now, his latest gift to Stubby is a silver frame for the dead Cora's picture. Stubby has just called down to Windy from his upper berth on the train.)

WINDY FINDS HIS "RIGHT ARM"

Chapter X

Windy sat up as though he had been shot. For a moment he thought he had been dreaming. Then finally he found his tongue. "Why . . . why no, Stubby, I'm not asleep."

"I . . . I wanted to thank you for . . ." Stubby began awkwardly. He hesitated, then clambered quickly out of his berth and dropped down into Windy's. "I want to thank you for the frame. It's beautiful."

"Oh, that's all right," Windy said in a tremulous whisper. "I was afraid the picture might get torn." They both stared at it where it rested on Stubby's knees. "Pretty, wasn't she?" Windy shook his head slowly. "I was crazy about her from the minute I set eyes on her. That was took right after we got married."

His eyes half closed in remembrance. "She was wearin' some kind of soft white stuff. Made her look if you touched her she'd blow away. She was so pale and delicate-like and . . . beautiful." He traced a moody pattern on the bedcover. "Yes sir, Stubby . . . that picture of her, I got framed in my mind, so it'll never . . .

"How . . . how did you come to lose your arm?" Stubby interrupted softly.

Windy was startled, then he shrugged. "Well, I had hadda couple of drinks in me when I went into that cage. And you know the only time animals is dangerous is when you're scared or got somethin' on your mind. They sorta' sense it. I guess that cat knew I was worried."

"About me being . . . about us being gone?"

Windy's hand shook a little as he rubbed his chin. "Well . . . yeah."

Stubby shivered. "I'm getting cold."

There was a tiny resigned sigh from Windy. It was over. "Yeah. Want me to boost you up?"

And then the surprising, the miraculous thing happened. Stubby plucked at his sleeve. "Would I . . . would I crowd you too much if I stayed here?"

For Windy, Heaven's door was slowly swinging open. "No." He could have burst into loud hallelujahs. Quickly, he threw back the covers and the boy climbed in, cuddling up to Windy, close to his shoulder.

Windy scarcely dared breathe. Ecstasy held him taut. "Good-night, Stubby."

"Good night . . . Pop."

Simultaneously, they turned to each other. Then Stubby was burrowing into his father's chest, one arm about his large waist, and the tears began to flow like a running stream, relieving long pent-up feelings. A lonely boy had come back to his father.

"Stub . . . Stubby," Windy crushed him close, his own tears mingling with the boy's. A beatific smile broke over his face at this fulfilment of all his aching hopes. It was his 'right arm' that he had found again.

But after many minutes the beat of the train's engine began to take on new significance. "Evanston" was the name that flashed into Windy's mind. Fright crossed his face for Evanston was but a few days away. A picture of Martha rose before him.

A fixed resolve began to form itself. Rising carefully, so that he would not disturb the sleeping child he let himself out of the berth.

"It's Windy, Dan," he was saying a little later to Hastings' closed door. "It's mightly important, Dan. I wish you'd let me talk to you."

"All right. Come in. Sit down. What's on your mind?"

Windy struggled for words. "Well it's just like you said when I first came back Dan. I gotta' get back in the money. I'm going to do the Fire Trick."

"The Fire Trick! Are you crazy?"

"But you don't understand, Dan. I got my *kid* back and I gotta' keep him." He talked on in a loud voice as much to steady himself as to convince Hastings. "Let me try to get it ready for Evanston will you? You see I never had him before. He was only staying with me 'cause he had to . . . waitin' for time to leave, but now he *wants* me." In his joy he momentarily forgot his fear. "Don't you see? I gotta' do it before we get to Evanston or they'll take him away from me."

"Be reasonable, Windy. Do you know when we hit Evanston?"

"That's just it, Dan. There ain't no time to lose."

"But you can't get *that* act ready in that short time."

The gigantic proportions of his task unrolled before Windy. He gritted his teeth. "I'll put on that Fire Trick in Evanston."

"I know you want to, Windy, but you're talking nonsense." Hastings jumped into bed as if he were ending the subject then and there. "Well, there's nothing we can do about it now. Let's wait until morning to talk it over."

Windy reached unsteadily for a whip that was lying on the chair. He would not, could not, spend the night arguing with old doubts and fears. "No, Dan, that's the trouble. I been waitin' too long. . . ."

A few minutes afterwards Hastings rushed up to Stubby's berth. "Did your Dad come back here?"

"No, I just woke up. Isn't he here? Is . . . is anything wrong?"

"No." Hastings started away, then turned back. "Maybe you'd better come with me. You can do more with him than I can. . . ."

The interior of the animal car was just barely illuminated by a single centre globe. The light threw into relief the weird criss-cross shadows of the bars.

As Windy entered the car there were a few drowsy growls from the animals, resting only fitfully because of the swaying rattle of the train and the noises of the storm.

Windy faced the large tiger in the rear cage, shuddering resolution on his face. Then he paled. The tiger, hearing him fumble for the screen, had snarled at him venomously, reaching forth with menacing claws.

"Windy!"

He froze as Hastings rushed up with Stubby.

The boy threw his arms around his father. "Pop, what're you going to do?"

Windy grasped him close. "I'm going in that cage . . . to show that tiger I ain't afraid any more."

"But Windy," Hastings protested, "what's it gonna' get you, goin' into that little cage to-night?"

"It's gonna' get me . . . inside the cage," was the tight-lipped reply.

Hastings yielded a little. "Well, then let me wake up some of the boys."

"That would take time," Windy objected expressionlessly. "I don't think it would do me good, waitin'."

He turned to smile down at Stubby. The boy's worried frown immediately gave way to an answering smile.

There were two steps leading to the cage door. Windy mounted them, gripping the whip tightly. He stood on the top step, striped eerily from head to foot with the reflected bars of the cage.

Beads of perspiration glittered on his face. Terror was beginning to engulf him again. His stiff fingers refused to shoot back the bolt. There came the deep warning growl of the tiger.

"Pop, pop, don't go in there," Stubby cried fearfully, "I'm scared, Pop," he whimpered.

Windy turned. "If both of us is scared, Stub, we're licked," he said levelly. "Now you get back there son. And when I go in there you grin. 'Cause when you grin I'll know you ain't scared . . . and if you ain't, how can I be?" Stubby breathed heavily. "Now lemme see that grin you're gonna' give me."

Stubby's face spread in a ghastly imitation of mirth.

Now Windy was sliding back the bolt. The door swung back and he was standing in the entrance of the cage.

(Windy is fighting desperately to regain his lost courage. Will he win the battle? Can Stubby's presence really help him? Don't miss tomorrow's hair-raising instalment.)

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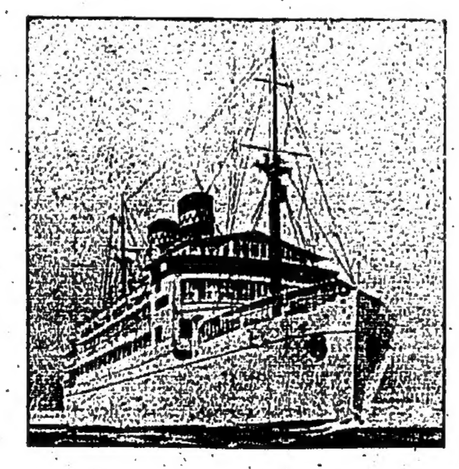

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Insults Drove Us to War, Says Morgan

German "insults and injuries," rather than loans to the Allies, forced the United States into the World War, Mr. John Pierpont Morgan, right, being sworn, told the Senate munitions committee, appearing before it as a witness in its investigation of the armament industry and wartime financing. With him, at left, is Mr. Thomas W. Lamont, partner, who wrathfully declared that the committee members were unfair in their grilling of the famed financier. Mr. Morgan declared that his firm always acted within the law, but that he and his aides always wanted the Allies to win.

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Miss Marie Nickels, left, and Miss Agnes Ward, San Francisco nurses, who assisted doctors in an appendix operation on Miss Ann Cooper Hewitt, (below) heiress to the Peter Cooper Hewitt fortune. According to the girl's $500,000 damage suit against her mother, at the same time another operation deprived her of the right of motherhood.

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President Hurls Challenge at New Deal Foes

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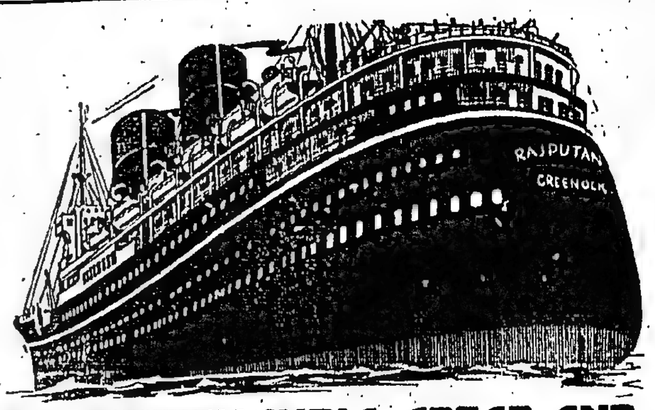
Miss Ann Cooper, who is suing her mother for $500,000.



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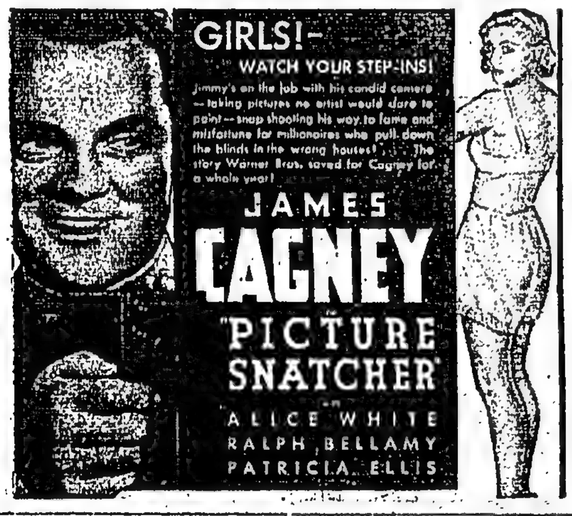

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ADDRESS BY MRS. SANGER

SEVEN POINTS

Mrs. Margaret Sanger, President of the Birth Control International Information Centre, London, delivered an interesting and informative lecture on the subject of birth control before a large and representative gathering at the Hongkong Hotel Roof Garden yesterday afternoon. Professor W. C. W. Nixon, Professor of Obstetrics and Gynaecology of the Hongkong University, presided.

Among those present were Lady Southorn, O.B.E., Lady Pollock, Sir Robert Ho Tung, Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo, Mr. W. J. Carrie, President of the Urban Council, and Mrs. Carrie, Mr. R. A. D. Forest, of the Colonial Secretariat, Dr. G. D. R. Black, Mr. A. Morris, Directo of Ambulance of the St. John Ambulance Brigade, Mr. Ho Kom-tong, Dr. Arthur Woo, Dr. J. T. Smalley, Dr. J. Howard Montgomery, Dr. M. O. Pfister, Dr. E. L. de Souza, Dr. (Miss) P. Ruttonjee, Dr. G. H. Henry, Major V. Duclos, Mrs. Gerrard, Mr. W. N. Thomas Tam, Mr. M. W. Lo, Rev. H. W. Baines, Rev. J. D. MacLean, Rev. K. Mackenzie Dow, Mr. W. A. Zimmern and Mr. F. H. Loseby.

Professor Nizon, introducing the speakers, said that Mrs. Sanger and Mrs. How Martyn had very kindly stopped in Hongkong to speak on the rather vexed question of birth control. Mrs. Sanger had been in prison eight times before the War as she had been regarded as a heretic but he was glad to say that one of the judges who tried her case was subsequently present at a birth control meeting.

Professor Nixon said that Lord Dawson of Penn and Lord Horder had supported birth contol. There was no doubt that children born within a year of each other ran a far-greater risk of non-survival than children born within two or three years of each other.

Mrs. Sanger's Address

Mrs. Sanger said that she believed that birth control had struck not only the West but also the East, as a whole. There was no other subject of equal importance. George Bernard Shaw had said that it was "the most revolutionary idea of this century" and Dean Inge had agreed that birth control "had come and come to stay." Lord Dawson of Penn went before the Anglican Bishops some years ago and, in closing his address, said that if they would not open their eyes and ears, they would have to close their jaws One had to look at the subject with a broad mind. Birth control did not disturb life but was a means of limiting the family. It was the key note in a new social awakening. Some people would ask why control the birth rate, and others would say that there was an unlimited space in the world for everybody.

Mrs. Sanger said that she would deny these statements. Nature in the past had used wars, floods, pestilence and famine to maintain the balance in every community and in every nation. At the present day it was either an increase of death rate or a decrease of birth rate, and one could not have it both ways. The situation in modern times was further aggravated by the fact that immigration had been entirely suspended in every country with the possible exception of South America. If there was no control in birth rate, the situation as it now exists would be further aggravated.

It was unfair to tax the normal and healthy in order to keep the ill-equiped and defective ones. Yet, at the present moment this very thing was tolerated. Without some control over the ill-equiped and defective, the situation at the present time could not be reconciled.

Mrs. Sanger drew the attention of those present to the countries where birth control was practised and had been practised for some ten years or so past, and compare them with the countries where such was not the case. In France, England, Germany, Finland, Denmark, and the Scandinavian countries the power of fertility had been under control. There were fewer children born but they were given much better opportunities to grow to full maturity and were born into conditions that were a great deal more favourable than otherwise would be the case. By birth control, families had children at spaced intervals which gave the women a chance to recuperate fully between each pregnancy, with a consequence betterment in the standard of health, and there were no horrors of abortion. Mothers were able to develop any talent that they might possess, and those in professions were able to get back to work. Families, on the whole, were spiritually, mentally and physically bettered.

Consideration

A race would not die out. It was not selfish to have a smaller family, rather it was the reverse. It clearly demonstrated that consideration was being given to the children born or to go even further, to the children yet unborn. In the other national groups where there were very large families, with the horrors of too frequent pregnancy, the health of the mother was inevitably impaired while the hopelessness of the situation had adverse effects on the fathers. Every social evil of to-day is to be found in this group. In an effort to do away with these evils, legislative methods had been adopted generation after generation. The United States of America had tried to do away with child labour. Many of those present, Mrs. Sanger said were under the illusion that child labour had been dispensed with totally by the mere stroke of the President's pen. She assured all that this was not the case. Child labour did in fact still exist, and was existing at the present moment in America. Millions of children under the age of 14 years still toil, but now worked in family groups whereby the father was getting paid for what his children did. As long as parents who could not support two or three children were encouraged to bring 10, 12 or 14 children ino the world, there would always be child labour.

Unemployment

Speaking of unemployment Mrs. Sanger said that the labour saving devices had increased during the past 20 years with amazing rapidity. A machine could make more electric bulbs in one hour than 2,000 men without machinery. America would always carry the load of unemployment unless machinery was scrapped, and the country resorted to adult male labour. Personally, she thought that America would never resort to this method as a solution to the present day problem. Birth control was, however, one solution. Birth control had been at work and where it had worked, it had done well. It had reduced maternal and infantile mortality and raised the standard of living. There were about seven important reasons why birth control should be practised.

(1) A man or woman with a transmissible disease should have no children. If birth control failed in respect of this type of people, then Mrs. Sanger strongly recommended sterilisation.

(2) Women who have temporary diseases, such as tuberculosis, disease of the heart or kidneys, should be protected not only from child birth, but pregnancy until cured.

(3) Parents who although healthy, yet give birth to children that are abnormal (deaf, blind, etc.) should be encouraged not to have any more children.

(4) Women, especially those of the working class with a low income, should have their children spaced at least three years.

(5) Economy. It was socially immoral for parents to have 10 or 12 children when they could not afford to take care of two. The responsibility would fall on the elder child who would have to work and toil all day to look after and care for his or her younger brothers and sisters.

(6) Adolescence, which was the period between 14 and 23 years for boys, and 12 and 22 for girls. While marriage during the latter part of adolescence might be useful and beneficial, postponement of parenthood was most essential.

(7) Adjustment to marriage. Young people should be encouraged to wait and keep the period of adjustment after marriage.

No Injurious Effects

Mrs. Sanger went on to deal with three means of controlling the birth rate, namely, the raising of the age of marriage such as has taken place in India and the Far East; sterilization, which did not imply desexing of male or female; (in 24 States in America sterilisation was at present taking place); chemical and mechanical means of contraception, and this was where most of the argument arose. In America there were over 125 clinics and from the experience gained it was positive that no injurious effects were suffered. Concluding Mrs. Sanger said that birth control had reduced abortion and divorces. Her great aim was to have these methods of birth control in the hands of public health authorities, where proper instruction was made available to each individual. They had the means and methods for nearly every condition now-a-days, and they were not expensive.

"We hope that we are bringing a message of hope that may be fulfilled in China. We want our young people to think of their bodies as holy temples," said Mrs. Sanger, in conclusion.

Mrs. How-Martyn's Address

Mrs. How-Martyn said: I have been asked to speak this afternoon on the part the British Government takes in the Birth Control Movement in England. To make the present position clear I must explain that the Birth Control Movement has a history of 60 years in England though it was not known by the name birth control until 22 years ago when Mrs. Sanger invented the phrase.

During the War much attention was given to the welfare of mothers and children by the English Government and so successful was the work in lowering infant mortality that the Government made it compulsory on Public Health Authorities to set up Maternity and Child Welfare Centres all over England and Wales. The Malthusian League with 40 years steady work of advocating the regulation of the size of the family according to the health of the mother and the economic resources of the family told the Government through its President Dr. Alice Vickery Drysdale, that to get the full benefit of these new services mothers must be able to get reliable birth control advice.

It was clear at this time, 1917, from the reports of the Registrar General that the upper and middle classes were using birth control, to space and to limit their families but that the poor, who could not afford to pay for advice and appliances, were still bringing large families of unwanted children into the world. It was not a question of principle it was merely a lack of knowledge due to their poverty.

To help poor families and to show the Government what could be done the Malthusian League opened a model Clinic in which birth control advice was given. This Clinic known as the Walworth Women's Welfare Clinic in one of the poorest parts of London has dealt with nearly 50,000 women.

The League and other birth control organisations set themselves to rouse public opinion and by means of the Press, deputations to Ministers, public meetings at which resolutions in favour of birth control advice being given at the Municipal clinics were carried, resolutions introduced and carried by County and Town Councils and other public bodies, questioning members of Parliament, publishing pamphlets, and leaflets, open air meetings and so on. The first sign of success was in 1926 when the House of Lords carried Lord Buckmaster's resolution in favour of Government action—the first legislative body in the world to take such action.

Government Action

At the General Election three years later every candidate for Parliamnet was asked whether if returned he would support Government action for birth control. This was followed by a conference of public health authorities at which the following resolution was carried with only three dissentients.

"That this Conference calls upon the Minister of Health and public health authorities to recognize the desirability of making available medical information on methods of birth control to married people who need it."

This was sent to the Minister of Health together with a list of public health authorities supporting it and a few months later the Minister issued Memorandum 153 M.C.W. in which the Government consider that on medical grounds where further pregnancy would be detrimental to health advice on contraceptive advice should be given to married women attending the Centres. Four years later in 1934 the grounds on which the medical officers at welfare centres could give birth control advice were extended to include mothers suffering from any disease such as tuberculosis, heart disease, venereal disease as well as diseases directly connected with pregnancy in fact in those cases in which a further pregnancy would be detrimental to the mothers' health.

Municipalities and other public health authorities can now legally provide birth control services free of charge to the recipients and spend public money in doing so.

Our chief work in England now is to persuade the local authorities to use their powers. Manchester, Brighton, Bath, Birmingham are among the enlightened authorities.

What the British Government does at home the British Government should permit to be done in a British Colony. The Government yielded to public opinion in England and if you create public demand here you will find the Government will acquiesce.

At the conclusion, Professor Nixon expressed thanks to Mrs. Sanger and Mrs. How-Martyn for their very able addresses.

The Hon. Mr. Lo, on behalf of the gathering, proposed a vote of thanks to Professor Nixon for presiding.

ITALIAN CHARGE

BRITAIN AND ITALY'S ETHIOPIAN CLAIM

Rome, Feb. 20.

A document, purporting to be a private report on Britain's attitude towards Italy's claims in Ethiopia, which was presented by Sir John Maffey, Governor-General of the Sudan, to the British Foreign Office, is given great prominence by the *Giornale d'Italia.*

Sir John Maffey is credited with expressing the opinion that Italy will do everything possible to gain control of Ethiopia even though she be content at present with partial acquisition of the country.

Sir John is further represented as pointing out that no vital British interests are involved and stating that Britain's chief concern is in connection with the headwaters of the Nile, which, in the event of Italy being firmly established in Ethiopia, would call for "a corridor to the Sudan" or failing this Britain should endeavour to obtain less onerous conditions as regards the Lake Tsana Dam project than are stipulated by Ethiopia.

It is recalled in London that a British inter-departmental inquiry was held last spring in consequence of Italian enquiries of the preceding January regarding British interests in Ethiopia. It is pointed out that their reports, presented in June, 1935, considerably preceded the action of the League of Nations in naming Italy the aggressor and had no relation to Britain's duties as a League member.—*Reuter.*

London's Rejoinder

London, Feb. 20.

Deparmental enquiries are being made into the circumstances of the leakage of the Maffey document.

Meanwhile it is officially pointed out that the Report supports the British claim that Britain's backing of the League over the Ethiopean issue has been disinterested, as it is shown that the British interests are limited to Lake Tsana and certain grazing rights.

It is understood that the report contains the findings of the departmental inquiry to examine British and Italian interests in Ethiopia.

However the precipitation of events, when the League declared Italy the aggressor, superseded the report, which, therefore, was not published.

No diplomatic representations to Rome are likely as the Report was never communicated to Italy.

The published version consists of a short, carefully selected extracts from the report, which is of considerable lenght and is not to be published, despite the Italian "revelations."—*Reuter.*

Diplomats Angry

Rome, Feb. 20.

Diplomats are agitated at the result of the publication by the *Giornale D'Italia* of the summary of the purported secret British report by the Commission headed by Sir John Maffey, and dated, June 18, 1935, in which Italy's paramount interest in Ethiopia is recognised, and asserting that Italian control might benefit British territory.

The report frankly discussed the possible disappearance of Ethiopia's independence, which would necessitate British action to attain territorial control of Lake Tsana, plus a corridor linking Lake Tsana and the Sudan, due to the connection of the lake with Nile irrigation.

The report said that in the event of Italy absorbing Ethiopia, Britain must do her utmost to ensure equal treatment for British interests in that country, and the maintenance of the Open Door.—*United Press.*

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London, Feb. 20.

The British Government has commenced an official investigation into the means by which Italy obtained the secret report of Sir John Maffey to the British Foreign Office in respect to Italy's claims in Ethiopia and the possible effect of these claims upon British interests. *Giornale d'Italia* published this report yesterday.

However, the British Government does not seem to be incensed. It is asserted that the publication has proved the sincerity of Great Britain in demanding League penalties as a result of the invasion of Ethiopia, since Sir John Maffey's report apparently indicated that British interests in East Africa could not be disturbed by Italy's ambitions.

A spokesman of the Government said to-day that Sir John Maffey and a commission had been instructed to report on the facts, without recommending a policy, after Signor Leonardo Vitetti, a counsellor of the Italian Embassy, had informed Great Britain on January 29, 1935, regarding the secret Franco-Italian agreement in respect of Ethiopia.

This agreement was negotiated by M. Pierre Laval, then French Foreign Minister, and Signor Benito Mussolini, the Italian dictator.

However, the Government spokesman made it clear that the report of Sir John's Commission was not utilised because the Cabinet refused to admit that the interests of Great Britain were not jeopardised through the proposed Italian conquest of Ethiopia.—*United Press*.

CANNOT ANSWER

London, Feb. 20.

There was a shower of questions in the House of Commons to-day with regard to the publication by a Rome newspaper of extracts from the secret report of Sir John Maffey made to the Foreign Office in June, 1935. The report concerned the Italian claims in Ethiopia and pointed out that Britain had no vital interests there.

Mr. Winston Churchill and others were anxious to know how the leakage, which is the subject of departmental inquiries in London, occurred.

Mr. George Lansbury, former Labour leader, urged that the House, unless it possessed the full facts before Monday, could not properly debate the foreign affairs problems which would come before it.

The Prime Minister, Mr. Stanley Baldwin, replied that he had been busy all morning and had not read the newspapers. He must consider the point raised and could not answer now, he said.—*Reuter*.

PAVOURS BRITAIN

Official quarters deny the Paris suggestion that the publication of the *Giornale d'Italia's* report in Rome caused surprise and bewilderment.

Most Italians do not understand the reason for the publication of the particular section of the Maffey report which clearly favours the British standpoint, and shows that in her attitude towards sanctions Great

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TRANSPORT WORKERS STRIKE

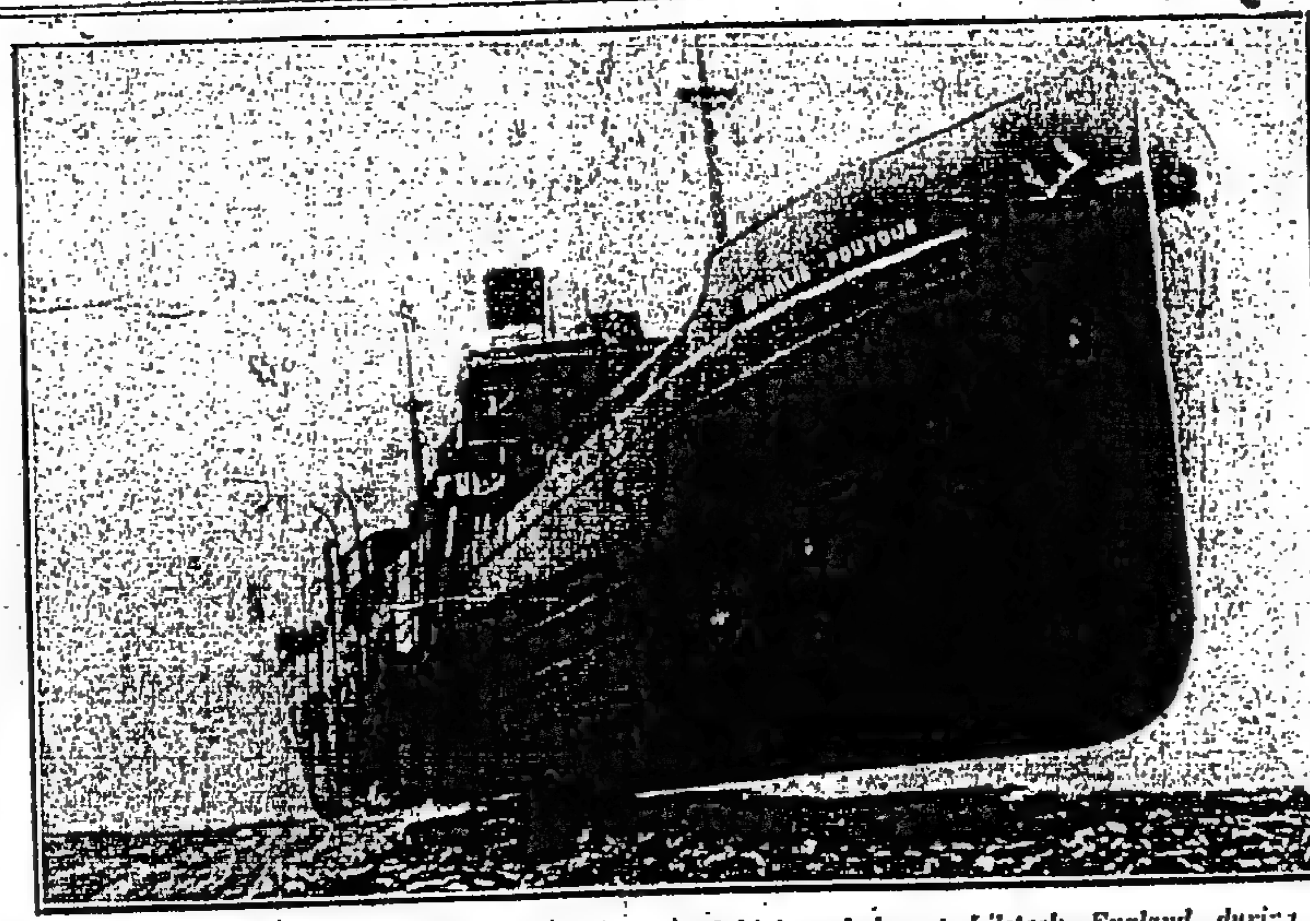
TRAFFIC PARALYSED IN COLOMBO

Colombo, Feb. 20.

Transport workers here have struck against a traffic regulation whereby licences will be cancelled after a tenth conviction.

All trams, buses and motor vehicles have stopped running.

Two travel agencies have received intimidating letters threatening harm if they allow their motor vehicles to be run for the benefit of their clients.—*Reuter's Bulletin Service*.



Picture shows the steamer Michailis Poutous stranded high and dry at Lilstock, England, during a heavy fog. All the crew were saved.

SUCCEEDS SIR ALEX. CADOGAN

NEW AMBASSADOR TO CHINA NAMED

SIR H. KNATCHBULL-HUSESSEN

London, Feb. 20.

His Majesty the King to-day approved the appointment of Sir Hughe Montgomery Knatchbull - Husessen, the present British Minister at Teheran, to the ambassadorship of China.

He succeeds Sir Alexander Cadogan, who has been appointed Deputy Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, in succession to Sir. Victor Wellesley, whose retirement was recently announced.

From Baliol College, Oxford, Sir Hughe entered the Foreign Office in 1908. He was attached to the British delegation to the Peace Conference in 1919 and was First Secretary in His Majesty's Diplomatic Service that same year.

In 1926 he was appointed Counsellor at His Majesty's Embassy at Brussels, where he remained until 1930. In 1930 he went as British Minister to the Baltic States, serving there for four years, when he was given the post at Teheran, Persia.—*Reuter*.

PRESS COMMENT

London, Feb. 21.

Recalling that Sir Alexander Cadogan, retiring Ambassador to China, now posted to an under-secretaryship in the Foreign Office, was for some years the head of the League of Nations Department of the Foreign Office, the *Daily Telegraph* says to-day that his appointment is something more than a tribute to his ability.

It may be taken as further proof of Mr. Anthony Eden's desire to pursue a League policy at the Foreign Office, the paper asserts.

The *Times* says Sir Alexander's appointment will bring a great accession of strength to the Foreign Office.—*Reuter*.

ADMITS LONDON MURDER

BUT PLEADS SELF DEFENCE

FRENCHMAN'S CONFESSION

Paris, Feb. 20.

A frank confession by Roger Vernon that he had shot Max Kassel, alleged head of a criminal gang in London, but in self-defence, was given to the French authorities to-day.

Vernon's confession startled the examining magistrate.

The prisoner said he shot Kassel without premeditation and only to defend his own life.

Vernon was arrested with a woman two days after the murder of the man Kassel, Max the Red, as he was known to the London underworld. Kassel was allegedly engaged in traffic in women.

The British authorities supplied the information leading to Vernon's detention, but the French Police refused to consider a request for extradition. Vernon was found to be a French subject, and escaped convict as well.—*Reuter*.

Film Pioneer's Work Shown

QUEEN VICTORIA'S FUNERAL

London, Feb. 20.

A film showing the funeral of Queen Victoria was screened to-day at a cinema where it was originally shown thirty-five years ago.

This picture was shown in connection with the fortieth anniversary of the invention of the cinema by a French inventor, whose first film was also shown, with the original projector.—*Reuter's Bulletin Service*.

SEVEN BODIES FOUND

VICTIMS IN YAUMATI HOUSE COLLAPSE

SEARCH STILL CONTINUES

Further bodies have been recovered from the ruins of the building in Woosung Street, Yaumati, following the collapse earlier in the week.

Yesterday afternoon and last night three bodies, two female and one male were extricated from the debris, whilst between 3.45 and 7.30 this morning, four more were recovered, three male and one female. The body of one of the men has been identified.

Work is still progressing on the ruins, and it is thought that there may be further bodies still lying buried.

The collapse of the Woosung Street building occurred Wednesday morning. It was not known, nor is it yet certain, how many persons were in the building at the time. Six injured persons were found in the debris in the first few hours of the Fire Brigade's search and all were rushed to hospital in a serious condition.

Workmen were repairing the house at the time of the collapse and the walls had been shored up. Yesterday searchers had to abandon work in the ruins because of the danger of the collapse of the walls. Firemen proceeded to demolish them with hosejets and yesterday afternoon returned to the search for victims.

ANOTHER BODY

Later.

Another body, that of a male child about two years of age, was recovered from the ruins of the building shortly after tiffin to-day.

GERMAN PROTEST TO SWITZERLAND

Ban On Nazi Groups Inadmissible

Berlin, Feb. 20.

The German Minister in Berne has been instructed to hand a Note to the Swiss Government energetically protesting against the decision of the Swiss Federal Council prohibiting all Nazi organisations in Switzerland.

It is stated that the Note stresses the inadmissibility of the Swiss step, and protests against the political demonstration underlying this procedure. Moreover, it expects the revocation of the decision.—*Reuter's Bulletin Service*.

YOUNG DEMPSEY

Seattle, Feb. 20.

Friends of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Dempsey say that the conspicuous family is expecting a second child in early August.—*United Press*.

POLITICS AT NAVAL PARLEYS

EDEN'S ASSURANCE TO NORMAN DAVIS

CORBIN WAITS FOR ORDERS

London, Feb. 20.

Mr. Norman Davis, the chief American delegate to the Naval Conference, called on Mr. Anthony Eden, Foreign Secretary, this afternoon and expressed concern about politica issues holding up the work of the Conference.

Mr. Eden gave an assurance that the Conference would concentrate on purely naval matters and would not be unduly prolonged.

So far, M. Corbin, the French Ambassador, has not called on Mr. Eden. He is presumably awaiting instructions from Paris on the outcome of the demarche to Washington and on other matters.—*Reuter*.

Defence Plan Awaited

SOON TO BE MADE PUBLIC

London, Feb. 20.

Answering a Parliamentary question this afternoon, the Prime Minister, Mr. Stanley Baldwin, said the plans to be announced shortly for making good the deficiencies in naional defence, would be a co-ordinated programme, in which the appropriate functions of the three fighting services had been fully taken into account, but any long range programme must be flexible and subject to continuous review and modification as circumstances might require.

The Prime Minister also announced in the Commons at question time that the adjournment of the House would be moved on Monday for a discussion on foreign affairs. Following the debate, which it is hoped to finish by 9.30 p.m., supplementary estimates for the Navy, Army and Air Force will be considered.—*British Wireless*.

The seventh annual photographic exhibition of the H.K.U.A.P.C. will be held from February 22 to 29 in the Gloucester Building (Top Floor).

QUAKE ROCKS OSAKA

COMMUNICATIONS DISRUPTED

FIRE FOLLOWS TREMORS

(Special To "Telegraph")

Shanghai, Feb. 21.

The Nippon Dempo reports that severe earthquakes have occurred at Osaka.

The shocks were at 10.07 and 10.27 a.m. to-day.

Telephone and telegraph communications are gone.

Casualties and damage are not reported.

Since Osaka is within a few miles of Kobe, where there is a large foreign population, there is some apprehension here for the safety of that city. But no word of any shocks in Kobe has been received.—*United Press*.

SERIOUS SHOCK

Tokyo, Feb. 21.

A fairly severe earthquake shock occurred at Osaka at 10.07 a.m.—*Reuter*.

FAIRLY SEVERE

Tokyo, Feb. 21.

A fairly severe earthquake rocked Osaka at 10.07 a.m. to-day.

A number of houses are reported to have collapsed.

The casualties are unknown, but fires have broken out in several places.—*Reuter*.

KYOTO AND KOBE

Nippon Dempo states that only meagre information can be obtained as to the extent of the Osaka quake damage, but that so far as is known the loss in property has not been great.

Kyoto and Kobe also felt the earth shocks.—*United Press*.

KOBE ROCKED

Tokyo, Feb. 21.

The earthquake which rocked Kobe and Osaka and was more mildly felt at Nagoya has done considerable damage.

News of the extent of the loss is slowly coming in.

The damage seems to have been of a minor nature in Kobe, but was fairly severe in Osaka, where some casualties and fires are reported.—*Reuter*.

CASUALTY REPORTS

Osaka, Feb. 21.

The earth tremors lasted 9.3 seconds this morning.

Fires broke out in a dozen places but were rapidly controlled.

Telegraph and telephone services were disrupted and three workmen were thrown off a chimney and killed.

There were eleven casualties in a landslide.—*Reuter*.

RECORDED IN HONGKONG

The quake was recorded this morning at the Royal Observatory, Mr. C. W. Jeffries, the Director, informing the *Telegraph*, in reply to enquiries that the shock apparently occurred at 10.8 a.m. to-day (Japanese time).

The preliminary tremors occurred four minutes and three seconds later. This interval of time shows that the epicentre was some 130 miles nearer Hongkong than the great earthquake of September 1, 1923.

The maximum waves had an amplitude of only 1.5 mm, showing that the earthquake is not comparable in severity to that of 1923, when the maximum waves recorded were over 100 mm.

TAMMANY SUPPORT

Washington, Feb. 20.

Mr. Jeremiah Mahoney, Tammany leader, leaving the White House today, predicted that Tammany would support President Roosevelt at the coming elections and that he would carry New York.—*United Press*.

Sir Frederic Leith-Ross, who is seen above with Lady Leith-Ross, left for Canton last night to study South China currency questions.

ECONOMIC EXPERT WELCOMED

CANTON GREETS SIR F. LEITH-ROSS

OLD RAILWAY CONTROVERSY

(Special To "Telegraph")

Canton, Feb. 21.

Sir Frederick Leith-Ross, the economic expert who is on a mission to China, was met aboard the steamer Taishan this morning on his arrival here by delegates from Marshal Chan Chai-tong, Governor Lin Yun-kai and Mayor Liu Chi-wan, as well as members of the South-west Political Council. They extended the warmest of welcomes.

Sir Frederick, who is accompanied by Lady Leith-Ross and Mr. Norman Young, a British Treasury expert, is staying at the British Consulate and is calling on Chinese leaders this afternoon.

All Canton newspapers give prominence to this visit. The official newspaper, *Shih Min-orh Pao*, in an editorial, expresses the hope that the visit will not only result in the unification of China's currency but also the recovery of Sino-British trade in South China, which has declined sharply and is likely to continue to shrink owing to increasing Japanese dumping.

It is generally believed in Chinese quarters that Sir Frederick is conferring with the Canton authorities with a view to improving the economic relations between Canton and Hongkong, in addition to making a general survey of the economic and currency situation.

OPPOSE RAILWAY LINK

It is interesting to note, however, that coincident with the visit of the British economist, Canton merchants have revived their rigorous opposition to the proposed linking of the Canton-Kowloon and Canton-Hankow railways, the latter being in process of completion this year.

The Canton Chamber of Commerce has addressed a letter to the local Government, Kuomintang headquarters urging the authorities to refuse to consider in any circumstances such a project, declaring Canton would become a dead port commercially if the Canton-Hankow railway were linked with the Canton-Kowloon line.

Sir Frederick spent the morning in conference with American and British business men at the Consulate, who presented their views on the British trade position in South China. The afternoon he will devote entirely to an exchange of calls with Chinese officials. He is being entertained by General Chan Chai-tong and Governor Lin Yun-kai at a banquet tonight.—*Reuter Special*.

KING CAROL NEEDS NO "REJUVENATION"

Montone, Feb. 21.

Dr. Serge Voronoff, the famous gland specialist, interviewed in respect to King Carol's visit to-day, said the Rumanian monarch's call was purely social.

"He is much too young to need rejuvenation," said the surgeon. "He looks fine and as strong as a bull. He does not need my services yet."

King Carol has been travelling by easy stages from London to his own capital. He is generally accompanied by Madame Lupescu, noted European beauty, who has been the cause of much political ill-will in Rumania and whose presence at His Majesty's palace once almost precipitated civil war.—*United Press*.

ITALIAN ARMY STILL CONTINUES ADVANCE

Rome, Feb. 20.

A further Italian advance on the northern front is announced in to-day's communique from Marshal Badoglio, commander-in-chief of the Italian armies in East Africa.

The First Army Corps was the body involved in this new manoeuvre.

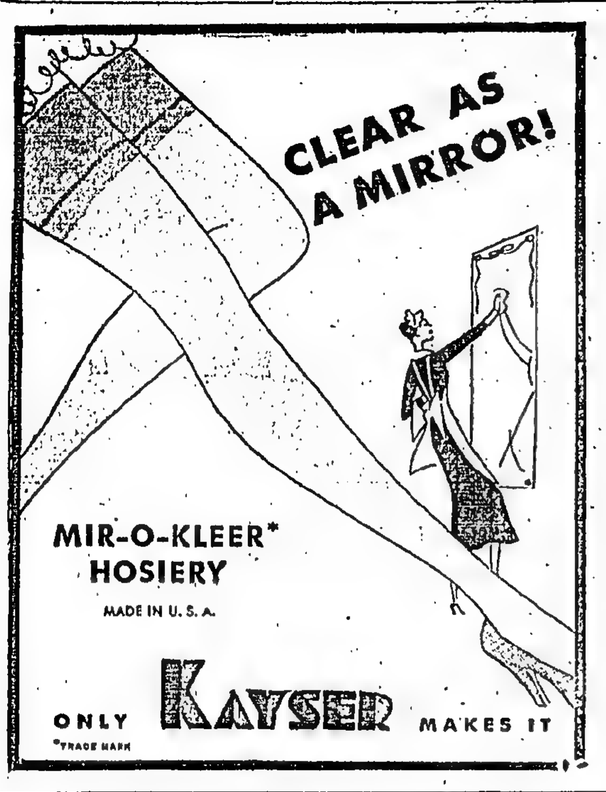
The Corps forms the left wing of the army, as constituted after the recent battle for Amba Aladam, south of Makale, in which the Italians claim to have inflicted severe losses on the Ethiopians and to have captured highly important strategic positions.

The advancing troops reached a group of villages at the junction of three caravan trails, fifteen miles north of Ambalagi. No resistance was encountered.—*Reuter Bulletin Service*.

STOP PRESS

Tokyo, Feb. 21.

Dr. Tatsukichi Minobe, sponsor of the theory that the Emperor is an organ of the state and not the state itself, which precipitated that bitter controversy last August and resulted in his resignation from the House of Peers and three universities, was shot in the leg by men who invaded his residence to-day. His assailant was arrested.—*Reuter*.



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Construction Work On Hickam Field, 2,500-Acre Plot Overlooking Pearl Harbour, Will Start in Few Weeks

Honolulu, Feb. 1.

Destined to be the world's largest airport, Hickam Field, the U. S. Army's future westermost air base, will begin to take definite form in the forepart of 1936.

The government has made available U.S.$4,500,000 for preliminary construction work on the 2,500-acre field located eight miles from Honolulu close by Pearl Harbour naval base. Total cost of the huge air base is estimated at U.S.$11,000,000.

Without awaiting actual construction of hangars and runways, landscape architects and gardeners have started planting trees, shrubs and flower gardens with a view of making the huge field the most beautiful air base in the world as well as the largest.

Immediate construction plans call for the building of four double hangars, one operations hangar, water and sewer lines, roads and landing runways. Actual construction will begin soon.

Base To Resemble City

The layout of Hickam Field will resemble a small modern city with broad boulevards, sidewalks, street lighting system, telephone network, fire department, hospital, public school and other utilities of American life.

When completed the field will have quarters for 180 officers, 175 non-commissioned officers and barracks for 1,600 men. Officers' quarters will be of concrete.

To reach the present point of progress in development of this great American flying field has consumed seven years. The site was selected in 1928 by a board of army officers. In May, 1935, owners of the land, a good part of which constituted a profitable sugar plantation as well as a small town, were paid $1,450,000 for the site. More than two years will be required to complete the air base.

Named For Dead Flier

Hickam Field was named in honour of the late Lt. Col. Horace M. Hickam. He was killed on November 5, 1934, when the plane he was flying crashed at Galveston, Texas.

The new air-base is the third military air field on the island of Orhu to be named for army fliers who have lost their lives in pursuit of duty.

Wheeler Field, air base at Schofield Barracks, the United States largest army post located 30 miles outside Honolulu, was named after Maj. Sheldon H. Wheeler, member of the squadron which flew with Gen. John J. Pershing on his punitive expedition into Mexico after Pancho Villa. Major Wheeler died in a crash near the field which bears his name.

Used By Ocean Fliers

In addition to being the base for most of the army's flying activities in Hawaii, Wheeler Field has come into prominence from the trans-Pacific flights which have started and ended there. It was from this field that Amelia Earhart took off on her solo flight to California. The late Charles Kingsford-Smith also used it on his trans-Pacific hops.

Luke Field, at present used by both army and navy land planes, is on an island in the centre of Pearl Harbour. It was named in honour of Lieut. Frank Luke, "balloon buster" of World War days who was shot down behind the German lines. Upon completion of Hickam Field, all flying activities will be transferred from Luke Field, leaving it for sole use of the navy.

Addition of Hickam Field to Hawaii's military establishments will make the island of Orhu by far America's most fortified area. Pearl Harbour, on one side of the new airport, is the nation's largest naval base. A few miles beyond Pearl Harbour lies Schofield Barracks, America's largest army post. Adjoining Hickam Field on the other side is Fort Kamehameha with its 14-inch guns capable of hurling projectiles 25 miles out to sea in defence of the narrow entrance to Pearl Harbour.

More Forts Nearby

On the other side of Honolulu is Fort deRussy, equipped with more 14-inch guns as well as the latest type anti-aircraft guns and searchlights. Two miles beyond Fort deRussy towers Diamond Head, world-known landmark and built by nature as a perfect fort.

A hollow and extinct volcano crater, Diamond Head, bristles with concealed lookouts and defence equipment.

Nestled in a secluded valley behind Diamond Head is Fort Ruger, equipped for artillery, anti aircraft batteries mounted on high-speed trucks and hangars for scouting balloons.

In all, the island has six army posts. Their combined searchlight equipment is capable of brilliantly illuminating the entire city on the darkest night, giving Honolulu the appearance of a Hollywood movie palace on the night of a brilliant premier.—*United Press.*

Hammers Ring In British Shipyards

MANY MORE JOBS ASSURED

£5,000,000 FOR MERSEY YARDS

London, Feb. 2.

There is more noise in British shipyards now than at any time since 1930.

This noise, from the hammers and rivets and winches, is an indication of the great activity in the yards.

On the Tyne tonnage to be launched on the slipways of three firms in the first quarter of 1936 is to be greater than that produced during the whole of 1934.

At a shipyard on the Mersey £5,000,000 worth of orders are in hand, and 7,000 men are to be employed.

At Barrow it is announced that more than 11,000 men are to be employed and that this employment is practically guaranteed for a year and a half.

At Belfast one firm is now employing 14,000 men, the highest total since 1930. The same yard will also reach 1930 standards by launching 10,000 tons.

It is announced that several idle yards on the northeast coast along the Tyne and the Tees are to be reopened. The total orders given recently for new vessels from the yards of the Tyne, the Wear and the Tees rivers have reached 75.

Meanwhile official details of the working of the "Scrap and Build" scheme for British shipping show that 45 vessels of about 196,000 tons gross have been put up for scrapping. This leaves 78,000 tons still to be nominated for scrapping to complete the amount of 274,000 tons under the scheme.

This scheme, on the basis of two tons scrapped for each new ton built, is for 36 vessels of about 137,000 tons, to cost about £2,640,000. Orders have already been placed for 24 of these, and applications for four others have been lodged.

Of the vessels for breaking up 11 have been sold to British and 15 to foreign ship breakers, while the disposal of the remaining 19 has not yet been decided.

So far only about one quarter of the amount of £10,000,000 available over two years under the scheme has been applied for.

Einstein Applies for American Citizenship

Trenton.

PROFESSOR Albert Einstein has signed a "declaration of intention" to become a United States citizen. He will be eligible for citizenship in October 1938.

He is at present at Princeton University. He declined to make any comment when questioned regarding his plans.

Professor Einstein, who has been described as the "greatest genius of the present day," was banished from Germany by the Nazis because of his Jewish birth.

He was born at Ulm in 1879. It was at Berlin that he completed the labours of eight years and astonished the scientific world with his findings on the theory of relativity, regarded by one commentator as "the most thorough revision of physical concepts since the days of Newton."

When annoyed by interviewers who wanted to know what relativity really was he directed his secretary to give them this answer:

"When you sit with the girl you love for two hours you think it is only one minute, but when you sit on a red-hot stove for a minute you think it is two hours. That is relativity."

Professor Albert Einstien.

Professor Einstein was offered shelter by many foreign countries, including England.

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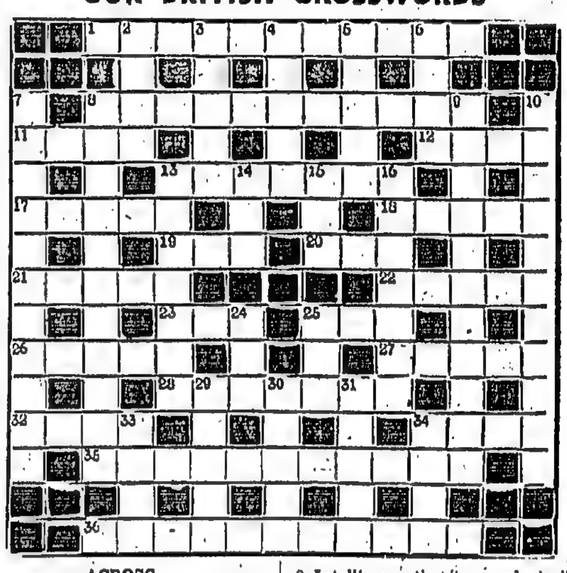


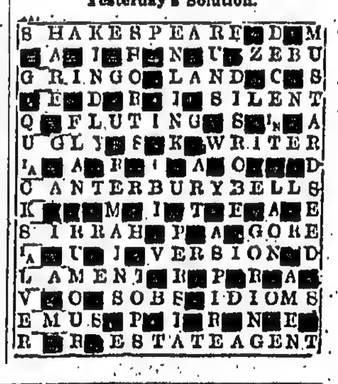
ACROSS

1 Taking no thought for the the morrow
8 The assembly to examine a calling.
11 One does not receive this as a right.
12 One may find them low.
13 Take into account.
17 Male name.
18 More than dislike.
19 A Silencer
20 If you double him you'll get a handful!
21 This circle is well-known to Londoners.
22 Proverbially hard form of mollusc.
23 This iron is a dog.
25 A decisive factor in tricky work.
26 If a body is this, should one anagram of this it?
27 No boy minds the cane if it's this.
28 A descriptive word containing two pronouns.
32 Kind of cape.
34 A battle.
35 Large in the extreme.
36 Of the lowest class.

DOWN

2 Beams from this may often be seen in houses.
3 Split.
4 Descriptive of a sound human effort.
5 Many mothers have this on their children.
6 A retreat.
7 These people are certainly not shallow-headed.
8 Intelligence that is paradoxically rather rare.
9 Does this bird like to spend itself?
10 Space forbids any wide departure from this sphere.
13 "Get rain" (anag.).
14 Part of a machine upsets a commanding officer.
15 Part of a date, maybe.
16 Serious reference to a pillow?
24 This is on a penny.
25 Tree.
29 What the school-master still has under the lash!
30 Drink it, or eat it.
31 A word of welcome.
33 A distinct reflection.
34 Feminine name.

Yesterday's Solution.



EVEREST EXPEDITION

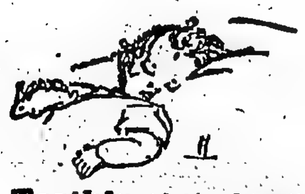
ADVANCE PARTY ARRIVES IN BOMBAY

London, Feb. 20.

The 1936 Mount Everest expedition's advance party arrived in Bombay to-day under the leadership of Mr. Rutlidge.

The party is expected to make a first attempt to scale the top on May 22 until the Monsoon breaks, when they will have to return as the days will be too short and cold.

The party expects to reach the base camp on April 12 and on this occasion 184 porters will be employed, which is more than were used on the previous expedition.—*Reuter's Bulletin.*



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DICTATORS and DEMOCRACIES

By Paul Reynaud

MONSIEUR PAUL REYNAUD, who belongs to the post-war generation of French statesmen, was Minister of Finance in the second Tardieu Government of 1930 and has since held the portfolios of Colonies and Justice.

For a long time M. Tardieu's chief lieutenant, M. Reynaud succeeded him as leader of the Right Centre parliamentary group.

He resigned the leadership after the group had disavowed the now famous speech he had made in the Chamber of Deputies Foreign Affairs debate on December 27.

By sheer force of personality he compelled the usually rowdy Chamber to listen to his arguments in silence.

"Choose between Italy, violator of the Covenant, and Britain, its guardian"—was his theme.

Below, in an interview with the "News Chronicle" Paris Correspondent, M. Reynaud further outlines his views on the Italo-Abyssinian conflict and the attitude thereto of Britain and the League.

TWO THINGS DO I FIRMLY BELIEVE:

(I.) THAT THE IMPERIALISM OF THE TOTALITARIAN DICTATORS OF TO-DAY IS MORE DANGEROUS TO PEACE THAN THE KAISER'S PRE-WAR BRAND.

(II.) IF THE GREAT DEMOCRACIES OF THE WEST REALISE THEIR PERIL IN TIME, AND ACT ACCORDINGLY, THEY CAN AVOID WAR AND SAVE NOT ONLY THEIR OWN EXISTENCES BUT THE KIND OF CIVILISATION WHICH IS FOUNDED ON LIBERTY.

I MAY be wrong, but I believe this strongly. And because I believe it I said so in the French Chamber of Deputies.

But the essential condition of success is that the great democracies should understand each other. I tried to make my fellow countrymen grasp the strength and nobleness of the movement which swept the people of Britain to the defence of a weak nation attacked by a strong nation and to the determination to organise collective security.

Since it is my good fortune to-day to be addressing vast numbers of British readers, I am glad to seize the chance of trying to make clear to them the reasons for certain resistances in French public opinion to the application of the League Covenant in the Italo-Abyssinian conflict.

Main Difference

In the course of the debate in the French Chamber of Deputies, a deputy of the Right interrupted a speaker with the following remark: "Frenchmen have universal service, Englishmen have not."

This is not a bad summing-up of the difference in the situation of our two countries.

If, in revenge for efficacious sanctions, Italy were to attack British ships in the Mediterranean, thinks the average Frenchman, Britain would content herself with throwing from afar her professional warriors of the land, sea and air into the conflict.

Whereas France has a long frontier adjoining Italy and a long coastline with several big cities open to the bombs of Italian air raiders. France would have to mobilise, that is transform her citizens into soldiers.

Would not Germany seize the occasion of attacking our North-Eastern frontier while we were occupied on that of the South-East? Would that not mean a universal war? We should have been drawn into war to avoid war. A truly Gilbertian policy!

And all for a black race, admitted to the League by mistake! A black race similar to those whom Britain and France have colonised so often! So that, for a mere colonial campaign, all hopes for peace in Europe would have been shattered.

French Reasoning

It was, let us recall, Italy which prevented Germany from invading Austria by mobilising on the Brenner frontier. But (so reasons the average Frenchman), here's the Treaty of Locarno gone to pot. . . . Here is overpopulated Italy forced into the camp of the discontented nations.

Already the Italian papers talk of an alliance with Germany or Japan, other overpopulated and discontented nations. Would it not have been more intelligent not to have taken this colonial war as an occasion to enforce the League Covenant?

Of course, Italy is in the wrong. But was not Japan in the wrong, four years ago and again a few months ago, in China?

Did not the hesitations of France and Britain, which lasted for months during which Italy was allowed, without intervention, to accumulate troops and munitions in Africa, lead the Italians to believe that the machinery of the League of Nations would not be brought into play for the benefit of some African natives?

Again, if France, which would be called upon for the main effort, which would run the greatest risks, were only certain that in the event of a conflagration in any part of Europe—Austria, for example—Britain would at once intervene to help to extinguish it. . . .

Judging By Merit

But in his Note of Sept. 20, Sir Samuel Hoare declared that Britain must retain her full liberty of appreciating each case on its merits. What then?

Moreover, has not Britain authorised Germany to violate the Treaty of Versailles by signing—and apart from France—the Anglo-German Naval agreement?

On top of all this we are told that Britain could not even send as many men abroad at the beginning of a war as in 1914, while Italy could throw millions into the battlefield.

So it would be us poor blighters with universal military service who would hold the baby . . .!

These are some of the arguments used against me by the average Frenchman in connection with my speech, and I assure you that, in order to retain a firm seat in the saddle, I have to bear well fixed in my mind the two propositions with which I began this interview.

However, that I may not leave my British readers with too pessimistic an impression, I must indeed admit that my speech in the Chamber met with some applause all the same.

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Remains Of Insect 150 Million Years Old

Cambridge, Mass., Jan. 30.

The remains of the world's largest insect, a prehistoric dragon fly two and one-half feet long that ruled the air 150,000,000 years ago, have been found in a Kansas limestone bed, it was announced here.

Only a part of one wing was found by Dr. Frank M. Carpenter of the Harvard University Museum of Comparative Zoology, but this was considered enough to estimate accurately the size of the entire specimen, because smaller insects of the same family have been found in well-preserved condition.

The giant insect, whose wing was found near Elmo, Kansas, was a member of the group known as Protodonata of the Permian Age. Insects of this type, with long thin bodies and long wings, were the most powerful that ever lived. They ate smaller insects, chiefly cockroaches. There were no birds or mammals then.

More than 8,000 prehistoric insects have been found by Harvard expeditions in Kansas limestone beds, where vast swamps once covered the area.—*United Press.*

Woman of 85 Dances the Hornpipe

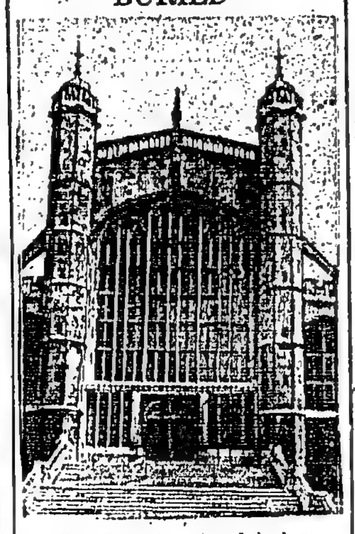
New York, Feb. 1.

Although Mrs. Ella Hoover Thatcher is 85, has a liking for dancing the hornpipe, and enjoys motoring at 90 miles an hour, she contends that this is no proof of insanity.

Mrs. Thatcher, who says she is a sixth cousin of ex-President Hoover, is contesting a suit brought by her children before the Lunacy Commissioners of Toms River, New Jersey, asking that a guardian be appointed to control her income of £9,000 a year.

Captain Burt Reed, the master of her private yacht, testified to her dancing ability and her yearning for speed. He said she also entertained him with selections from grand opera sung while having a snack in her kitchen.—*United Press.*

WHERE KING IS BURIED



St. George's Chapel, where King George of England lies.

AGE DOES NOT MEAN SENILITY

St. Louis, Mo., Jan. 30.

The popular notion that aged persons decline in mental ability with the advance of years was branded "an unfortunate libel" at the 79th annual convention of the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

Dr. Irving Lorge of Teachers College, Columbia University, in addressing the Psychology section of the convention, asserted that from studies he had conducted he was convinced that deterioration observed by psychologists and laymen "is more apparent than real."

"It is due," he said, "to dimming sight, slowing movements, dulled hearing, and preoccupation with life's problems. It is not a loss of mental power as such, but rather an inability to work as fast with mental tasks."

Dr. Lorge applied tests to 143 unemployed adults, ranging in age from 20 years to 70 years, which indicated, he said, that the apparent decline with age varies when different mental tests are used as the "yard stick" of measurement, especially those involving speed, where the apparent decline is greatest.

"Our study demonstrates," he said, "that power to do mental work probably does not deteriorate with age. The reported deterioration is more apparent than real. Tests commonly used to measure mental ability are not a genuine measure of mental power, because they usually rest primarily on speed."

Dr. Lorge divided the 143 subjects of his tests into three groups of different ages, 20, to 25, 27 to 37, and over 40. The tests applied were the "Army alpha tests," in which speed counts more heavily than any other factor.

Scores for the various groups were:

20 to 25—149
27 to 37—142
40 and over—128.

As a check against those results, Dr. Lorge said he applied the Otis, or 20 minute self-administering test, and the result then was 44, 39 and 33 respectively.

A proper cancellation of the handicap which older persons suffer in speed, the speaker said, showed that the correction required was of such magnitude as to indicate that the reported facts of mental decline among those over 40 were "inaccurate and exaggerated."

A definite, accurate measure of mental power, Dr. Lorge emphasized should be attained by a "follow-up of mental power scores of individuals from a time shortly after birth through senescense."—*United Press.*

An Island To Be Made Higher

THE island of St. Marys, on which is built the town of Bathurst, capital of Gambia, in West Africa, is to be raised to above sea level at a cost of £250,000.

Gambia, the most northerly British possession in West Africa and the oldest and smallest British dependency in Africa, has 15,000 inhabitants, and Bathurst has always been considered unhealthy for both whites and blacks.

The low level of the island makes adequate drainage impossible, and in the rainy season, when as much as nine inches falls in a day, the island becomes a swamp, breeding malaria and yellow fever germs.

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DETECTIVE'S STRANGE EXPERIENCE

THE SHADOW OVER THE TSAR

"To me he seemed like a man walking quietly towards a waiting horror."

That description of the late Tsar of Russia, in a book published in London, "Memoirs of a Royal Detective," was written by a man whose duties brought him into contact with most of the rulers of pre-War Europe.

The author, the late ex-detective Inspector H. T. Fitch, unfortunately died before completing this volume of memoirs, which have been concluded from his notes by Mr. F. S. Stuart.

"Quiet, reserved, friendly," continues Mr. Fitch of the Tsar, "with a friendly word for the least of us who served him on his English visit, he yet looked like a man with fear standing coldly for ever at his left side. I have always believed that he foresaw the vague outlines of his colossal failure and his eventual doom from the day he ascended the Russian Throne."

Travelling Companion

Mr. Fitch was the last man to let his imagination run away with him, which makes the story he tells concerning Prince Olav of Norway all the more curious.

One day, shortly after the War, Queen Maud and the Prince were returning to Norway and Mr. Fitch was detailed to accompany them as far as the coast. The Royal train was well on its journey when the detective thought he saw someone step very swiftly past the door of his coach.

"There was a curious glitter about the man's hat—I assumed it was a man because he was very tall and powerfully built, though I got no glimpse of the face and only the most fleeting idea of the figure. What puzzled me most of all was that his clothes swished in a most curious manner, quite unlike the effect produced by an ordinary suit."

A close search of the train revealed nothing, and at Parkeston Quay all seemed well.

"The ship was all ready to depart, when my police inspector friend suddenly exclaimed sharply: 'Who's that?' I swung round and caught the vaguest glimpse of a tremendous figure in red and silver as it vanished—melted would be a more descriptive word—into the ship from the gangway's head."

Unavailing Search

Once more an intensive search revealed nothing, and the detectives were inclined to put it down to an optical illusion. It was not until many years later that Mr. Fitch was told of the Red Axeman of Norway, an old warrior who, killed in defence of a royal prince centuries ago in the reign of Haakon II., is said still to accompany all the heirs to the Norwegian throne when they cross the sea.

The author tells an interesting story of King Ferdinand of Bulgaria when he visited England for King Edward's funeral.

Paying endless visits to the Zoo, King Ferdinand "perhaps because his was a wild little country of no great pretensions, seemed ill at ease in the glamorous and stately surroundings of Buckingham Palace. At times he was quite at a loss concerning some point of Palace etiquette and was not ashamed to seek advice..."

Ferdinand Impressed

At the conclusion of King Edward's funeral King Ferdinand remarked, writes Mr. Fitch, "I never realised what a mighty and consolidated race you are until I saw you to-day, united by a single emotion. I would not have believed that any man in the world could have been grieved for like this. What a terrible people to arouse *against* one."

A prophetic remark in the circumstances.

This is an interesting book, brightly written, by a man who knew his subject. Of the many difficulties and dangers confronting him in his work, Mr. Fitch wrote little, but he revealed the many Royal people with whom he came in contact as human beings.

The volume is illustrated by many photographs.

CHESS ENTHUSIASTS

Five members of one family were included in the Wellington, N.Z., City team in a recent Chess competition, consisting of father, mother, two sons, and a daughter of 12 years.

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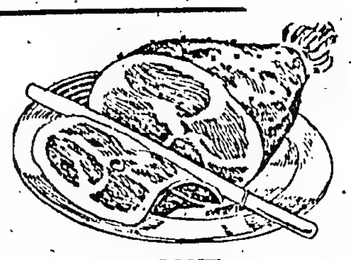

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U.S. COMMODITY PRICES

LATEST CABLED QUOTATIONS

The following quotations on the New York commodity exchange are issued by *Reuter*.

New York Cotton

	Feb. 19.	Feb. 20.
March	11.34	11.36/38
May	10.91	10.85/85
July	10.60	10.54/55
October	10.25	10.20/20
December	10.29	10.22/22
January	10.32n	10.26/26
Spot	11.55	11.50

New York Rubber

March	15.43	15.55b
May	15.54	15.70 /70
July	15.66	15.77 /78
September	15.75	15.88b/90
December	15.95	16.00
Total sales:		127 lots.

Chicago Wheat

May	98⅝	98⅞/99
July	88⅝	88½/88⅝
September	88	88 /88

Wednesday's sales: 14,139,000 bushels.

Chicago Corn

May	61½	61⅛/61¼
July	61⅝	61¼/61⅜

Winnipeg Wheat

May	83⅝	83⅝/83⅝
July	84¼	84⅝/84⅝
October	83¼	83⅜/83⅜

New York Silk

March	1.70½	1.65 b/66
May	1.69	1.65 /65
July	1.66½	1.61½ /63

EXCHANGE RATES

	Feb. 19.	Feb. 20.
Paris	74.47/64	74.45/64
Geneva	15.10½	15.10
Berlin	12.28½	12.28
Milan	62½	62.1/16
Athens	517	515
Shanghai	1/2.9/16	1/2½
New York	4.99⅝	4.98⅞
Amsterdam	7.27	7.26½
Vienna	26½	26¼
Prague	119	118⅞
Bucharest	669	668
Madrid	36.1/16	36.1/16
Lisbon	110¼	110¼
Hongkong	1/3¾	1/3¾
Bombay	1/6⅛	1/6⅛
Brussels	29.30	29.27½
Monte Video	39⅝	39⅝
Belgrade	217	217
Montreal	4.99	4.98⅝
Yokohama	1/2.1/32	1/2.1/32
Rio	4¼	4¼
Silver (Spot)	20.1/16	20
Silver (forward)	17⅞	19.13/16
War Loan	107.3/16	107⅝

—*British Wireless.*

EXCHANGE

TO-DAY'S OPENING QUOTATIONS

Selling

T.T.	1/3½
Demand	1/3½
T.T. Shanghai	106¾
T.T. Singapore	55
T.T. Japan	110¼
T.T. India	85⅝
T.T. Frisco & New York	32¼
T.T. Java	46⅝
T.T. France	4.82
T.T. Manila	64½
T.T. Bangkok	148½
T.T. Saigon	48
T.T. Lisbon	6$95

Buying

4 m/s. L/C.	1/4⅛
4 m/s. D/P.	1/4¼
6 m/s. L/C	1/4¼
4 m/s. San Frisco & New York	33⅝
4 m/s. France	5.06½
New York—London	4.98

SHARE PRICES

The following is the list of local share quotations issued this morning.

Banks.
H. K. Bank, $1,580 n.
H. K. Banks (Lon. Reg.). £102 n.
Chartered Bank, £14⅞ n.
Mercantile Bank, A. and B. £29½ n.
Mercantile Bank C., £13½ n.
East Asia Bank, $73 n.

Insurances.
Canton In., $270 n.
Union In., $552½ s.
China Underwriters, $1.00 b.
China Fire, $480 n.
H.K. Fire In., $260 n.
Internat'l Assce., Sh. $3¼ n.

Shipping.
Douglas, $36 n.
H.K. Steamboats, $5½ n.
Indo-Chinas, (Pref.), $30 n.
Indo-Chinas (Def.), $20 n.
Shell (Bearer), 90/- n.
Union Waterboats, $14½ n.

Mining.
Antamoks, $1.80 b.
Balatocs, $20 b.
Baguio Gold, 22 cts.
Benguet Consolidated, $18.40 b.
Benguet Exp., 13 cts. n.
Big Wedge, 12 cts. n.
Gold Creek, 30 cts. n.
Gold River, 7 cts. n.
Ipo Mining, 90 cts. n.
Itogons, 60 cts. b.
Salacot, 15 cts. n.
Kailan, 13/9 n.
Langkats (Single), $11 n.
S'hai Explorations, Sh. $4½ n.
S'hai Loans, Sh. $4 n.
Raubs, $11.60 sa.
Venz: Goldfield $3 b.

Docks etc.
H.K. Wharves (old), $100 n.
H.K. Wharves (new), $97½ n.
H.K. & W. Docks $9 n.
Providents (old), $1.65 sa.
Providents (new), 50 cts. n.
Hongkew (old), Sh. $190 n.
New Engineerings, Sh. $4 n.
Shanghai Docks, Sh. $79 n.

Cotton Mills.
Ewo Cotton's Sh. $8 n.
S'hai Cottons (new), Sh. $41 n.
Zoong Sings, $12 n.
Wing On Textiles, Sh. $25 n.
S'hai Cottons (old), Sh. $70 n.

Lands, Hotels, etc.
H. and S. Hotels, $5 n.
H.K. Lands, $35½ n.
H.K. Lands, 4% Deben. $100 n.
S'hai Lands, Sh. $18 n.
Metropolitan Lands, Sh. $10 n.
Humphries, $9.70 n.
H.K. Realties, $5.85 n.
Chinese Estates, $84 n.
China Realties, Sh. $4 n.
China Debentures Sh. $60 n.

Public Utilities.
H.K. Tramways, $12¾ s.
Peak Trams, (old), $7 n.
Peak Trams, (new), $3 b.
Star Ferries, $87 n.
Yaumati Ferries, (old) $19.50 n
China Lights, $11.30 n.
China Lights (New), $8 b.
H.K. Electric, $75 n.
Macao Electric, $20 n.
Sandakan Lights, $4¾ n.
Telephone (old), $26¼ n.
Telephone (new), $10.20 n.
China Buses, Sh. $11¼ n.
Singapore Tractions, 17/- n.
Singapore Pref 26/- n.

Industrials
Malabon Sugars, $8.40 n.
Cald: Macg. (old), Sh. $19½ n
Cald: Macg. (Pref.), Sh. $15 n.
Canton Ices, $1.75 n.
Cement, $8.80 n.
H. K. Ropes, $5.55 s.

Stores, &c.
Dairy Farm, $22 s.
Watsons $4.85 n.
Lane Crawfords, $6¾ n.
Mackintosh, $5 n.
Sinceres, $2.40 s.
Wm. Powells, 70 cts. n.
Wing On (H.K.), $55 n.

Miscellaneous.
H.K. Entertainments, $4.70 n.
S. C. Enterprise $1.85 n.
Macao "Greyhounds," $2 n.
Constructions (old), $1.75 n.
Constructions (new), 50 cts. n.
Vibro Piling, $4 n.
Ch. Govt. 5% 1925 G. $ Bonds 94% n.
H.K. Govt. 4% Loan 4½% prm. b.
H. K. Govt. 3½% Loan par. n.
Wallace Harpers $4 n.

FAMOUS VISITORS

London, Feb. 21.

Colonel Charles Lindbergh, who has sought sanctuary in Great Britain with his wife and little boy, was a spectator in the visitors' gallery of the House of Commons to-day during question-time.—*United Press.*

When charged with loitering in the backyard of No. 468 Castle Peak Road last night, Li Luk, 30, unemployed, told Mr. Macfadyen at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning that he went in to shelter from the rain and wind. He was bound over in the sum of $15 to come up for judgment within one year. Inspector Ellis stated that the premises were those of a soy factory. Defendant was seen in the enclosed yard about 11 p.m. and was arrested.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

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Notice To Shareholders.

THE FORTY-NINTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on Thursday, the 5th March, 1936, AT NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1935.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be CLOSED from Friday, the 21st February, 1936, to Thursday, the 5th March, 1936, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

F. H. CRAPNELL,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 12th February, 1936.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

Notice is hereby given that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of the Shareholders in this Corporation will be held at the Head Office of the Corporation, No. 1, Queen's Road Central, Hongkong, on Saturday, the 22nd February, 1936, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1935.

The Register of Shares of the Corporation will be closed from Monday, the 10th February, to Saturday, the 22nd February, 1936, (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

V. M. GRAYBURN,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 3rd February, 1936.

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FORTY-EIGHTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on TUESDAY, 10th March, 1936, at NOON for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1935.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY, 24th February, to TUESDAY, 10th March, 1936, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors
O. EAGER,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 17th February, 1936.

HONG KONG TELEPHONE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ELEVENTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of HONG KONG TELEPHONE COMPANY, LIMITED, will be held on THURSDAY, the 12th day of March, 1936, at the BOARD ROOM of the Company, Second Floor, Exchange Building, Hong Kong, at Noon for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Board of Directors, for the financial year ended 31st December, 1935, and re-electing two Directors and the Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be closed from the 2nd March to the 12th March, 1936, both days inclusive.

Dated this 4th day of February, 1936.

Order of the Board.
W. L. McKENZIE,
Secretary.

14, Des Voeux Road Central,
Hong Kong.

MIST OR DRIZZLE

The anticyclone is stationary and pressure remains highest to the north of Shantung. Depressions are situated to the east of Hokkaido and over Indo-China. Local forecast:— N. E. winds, fresh; cloudy, some mist or drizzle.

GREATEST TRAVEL AGENT

London, Feb. 20.

A new description of the King was made by Lord Stanley, presiding at a meeting of the Travel Agents' Association, when he stated that His Majesty is the greatest "Travel Agent," as his worldwide travels have done much towards the peace and prosperity of the world.—*Reuter's Bulletin Service.*

BANK HOLIDAYS.

The Exchange Banks will open at 9.30 a.m. and will close at 12 Noon for the transaction of Exchange business on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, the 24th., 25th and 26th February, 1936. (RACE MEETING).

Hongkong, 20th February, 1936.

THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC CO., LTD.

Notice is hereby given that the Forty-seventh Ordinary Yearly Meeting will be held at the Company's Offices, P. & O. Building, on Wednesday, 11th March, 1936, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1935, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The Register of Members of the Company will be closed from 20th February, to 11th March, 1936, both days inclusive, during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

And notice is hereby also given that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company will be held at the same place immediately after the termination of the above mentioned Ordinary General Meeting for the purpose of considering and, if thought fit, passing the following resolutions, namely:—

(1) That it is desirable to capitalize the sum of $1,500,000, being part of the undivided profits of the Company standing to the credit of the Reserve Fund, and accordingly that a bonus of $1,500,000 be declared and that such bonus be applied on behalf of the persons who on the 29th day of February, 1936, are the registered holders of the 450,000 issued shares of the Company in payment in full for 150,000 shares of the Company of $10 each and that such 150,000 shares credited as fully paid be accordingly allotted to such persons respectively in the proportion of one of such shares for every three of the said 450,000 shares then held by such persons respectively and that such shares shall rank for dividend as from the 1st day of January, 1936.

(2) That if, on such distribution as aforesaid, any person would be entitled to a fraction of a share, the Directors shall, in lieu of issuing fractional certificates, cause the whole share to be allotted to a person or persons to be named by the Directors and such share shall at such time as the Directors think fit, be sold and the nett proceeds distributed amongst the persons entitled to such fractions making up the share.

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Hongkong, 19th February, 1936.

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ARMS SHIPMENTS

Washington, Feb. 20.

The Senate passed the Bill to regulate the inter-state shipment of firearms to-day and the measure went to the House of Representatives. It is intended to prevent criminals obtaining weapons.—*United Press.*

FOUR STOLEN RIFLES

JUNKMASTER BOUND OVER

On a charge of stealing four Winchester rifles belonging to Chan Lin-hei, 69, master of a junk, on February 20, last year, Cheng Tak, 69, junk foki, was bound over in the sum of $100 to come up for judgment within one year by Mr. Macfadyen at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning when he appeared on remand.

Defendant alleged that he saved the guns from an unmanned boat which capsized, but admitted having sold the guns because he had no money.

Detective Sergeant Riddell stated that further enquiries had been made and it was found that defendant took the rifles to police headquarters on January 13 last year, and, on February 2 in the same year, he appeared at police headquarters with a petition signed with the name Chan, for the return of the guns which were to be taken to Ning Hoi.

After obtaining the guns, defendant sold them to a junkmaster named Cheng Kam-kee at Shaukiwan for $160, and then went back to the country. He returned about two days ago and was arrested.

The prosecuting officer further stated that he understood that the original owner of the guns had engaged a solicitor, Mr. Zimmern, who was to have been present to ask for their return.

Mr. F. I Zimmern appeared in Court at the end of the proceedings.

In binding defendant over, his Worship stated that it was probable that defendant thought that the owner of the guns must have thought they had been lost in the wreck, and was tempted.

An order was made for the return of the guns to the original owner, and defendant was ordered to pay $100 amends to Cheng Kam-kee, or, in default, serve one month's hard labour.

BUICK CARS POPULAR

PRODUCTION RECORD REPORTED

With sales breaking all past depression records and for the early part of December setting an all-time high, Buick production will pass the 100,000 mark this year for the first time since 1930, Mr. Harlow H. Curtice, president, states.

Commenting on gains made by the company since the introduction of its 1936 models, Mr. Curtice pointed out that December production schedules, calling for more than 16,000 cars, will bring total output for the year to 107,584 units, a gain of nearly 50,000 over last year, when 78,757 cars were produced, and comparing with 40,620 in 1933.

The heavy gain in the production rate resulting from the introduction of new models is indicated, he said, in the fact that Buick has produced more 1936 models in less than four months than the total of the 1935 model output. Since they were entered in production, 57,800 of the 1936 cars have been built as compared with 53,249 for the entire 1935 model year.

Mr. Curtice indicated Buick production in 1936 will average approximately 14,000 cars a month to meet the 150,000 car programme scheduled for the model year.

The all-time sale record was established during the first 10 days of December when 3,459 units were delivered to retail customers in the United States. This was the largest volume for this period in the history of the company, exceeding the previous peak of 3,395 cars delivered during the corresponding period of December in 1926. In that year, the executive pointed out, Buick produced more than a quarter of a million cars.

BUS PASSENGER FINED

FAILS TO PRODUCE TICKET

A fine of $10 was inflicted upon Olian Wai-nang, 21, apprentice fitter, by Mr. Macfadyen at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning for failing to pay his fare on bus No. 801 of the Kowloon Motor Bus Company last night, at Tam Kung Road near Matauk Road.

In answer to the charge, defendant stated that at Hunghom he offered ten cents to the conductor, but it was refused.

Inspector Chester-Woods stated that defendant boarded the bus, which ran on the No. 8 route, at the Star Ferry terminus. When the conductor asked him for his fare, defendant stated that he had a monthly ticket. An inspector boarded the bus at Tam Kung Road and asked defendant for his ticket, and defendant produced a Star Ferry monthly ticket. When told that it could not be used on a bus, he produced twenty cents and completed the journey.

Defendant then stated that the conductor on the bus "had not much experience." He only asked defendant if he had a ticket. If he had asked for a bus ticket he (defendant) would have told him he did not have one.

"That's all nonsense," remarked his Worship and imposed a fine.

EXPECTS SURPLUS

London, Feb. 20.

Notwithstanding the supplementary estimates above the budget figure which will be required by the end of the financial year, March 31, it is still expected that the Chancellor of the Exchequer will be able to show a surplus.—*Reuter Special.*

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INWARD MAILS

Haiphong	G.G. Paul Doumer	February 21.
Manila	General Leo	February 21.
U.S.A., Canada, Japan, and Shanghai (Seattle, 1st February)	Pres. Grant	February 21.
Japan	Sui Sang	February 21.
Shanghai	Tyndareus	February 21.
Saigon	Athos II	February 22.
Japan	Rio de Janeiro Maru	February 22.
Straits and London Parcels—London 10th January and Air Mail ex "K.L.M. Service" (Amsterdam 12th February).	Somali	February 22.
Straits	Toba Maru	February 23.
Shanghai and Europe via Siberia (London 3rd February).	Conte Verde	February 23.

OUTWARD MAILS

For	Per	Date and Time
	Friday.	
Samshui and Wuchow	Chung On	Fri., Feb. 21, 4 p.m.
Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island—due Thursday Island, 5th March	Kitano Maru	Fri., Feb. 21, Reg., Feb. 21, 4.15 p.m. Letters, Feb. 21, 5 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., Central and South America, Canada, and *Europe via San Francisco (Due San Francisco, 11th March) (Due San Francisco, 15th March)	Pres. Hoover	Fri., Feb. 21. Parcels, Feb. 21, 3 p.m. Reg., Feb. 21, 4.15 p.m. Letters, Feb. 21, 5 p.m.
*Manila and *EUROPE via Marseilles, and Parcels only for Germany via Hamburg (Due Marseilles 15th March).	Gneisenau	Fri., Feb. 21.
	K.P.O.	G.P.O.
	Reg., Feb. 21, 3.30 p.m. Letters, Feb. 21, 4.30 p.m.	Reg., Feb. 21, 4.15 p.m. Letters, Feb. 21, 5 p.m.
Saigon, Sandakan, Salamaua and Rabaul	Neptuna	Fri., Feb. 21, 5 p.m.
*Shanghai, *Japan and *San Francisco	General Leo	Fri., Feb. 21, 5 p.m.
		Saturday.
Letters for "Imperial Service"—due London, 6th March	Cathay	Sat., Feb. 22.
Letters for "K.L.M. Service"—due Amsterdam, 2nd March.		
	K.P.O.	G.P.O.
	Reg., Feb. 22, 8.30 a.m. Letters, Feb. 22, 9 a.m.	Reg., Feb. 22, 9 a.m. Letters, Feb. 22, 9.30 a.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, East and *South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles (Due Marseilles, 20th March)	Cathay	Sat., Feb. 22.
	K. P. O.	G. P. O.
	Parcels, Feb. 21, 4.30 p.m. Reg., Feb. 22, 9 a.m. Letters, Feb. 22, 10 a.m.	Parcels, Feb. 21, 5 p.m. Reg., Feb. 22, 9.45 a.m. Letters, Feb. 22, 10.30 a.m.
Bangkok	Hermod	Sat., Feb. 22, 11.30 a.m.
Shanghai, Japan and *Europe via Siberia	Athos II	Sat., Feb. 22, 1.30 p.m.
Hoihow, Pakhoi and Haiphong	Kwangtung	Sat., Feb. 22, 2.00 p.m.
Amoy	Kingyuan	Sat., Feb. 22, 3.30 p.m.
Formosa	Hokkai Maru	Sat., Feb. 22, 3.30 p.m.
Letters for "Singapore—Australia Service"—due Darwin, 3rd March.	Rio de Janeiro Maru	Sat., Feb. 22.
	K.P.O.	G.P.O.
	Reg. Feb. 22, 4.00 p.m. Let. Feb. 22, 4.30 p.m.	Reg. Feb. 22, 4.30 p.m. Let. Feb. 22, 5.00 p.m.
Manila	Pres. Grant	Sat., Feb. 22, 4.30 p.m.

*Superscribed correspondence only.

21 YEARS AGO

Extracts From the "Telegraph" Files

The following extracts are from the *Hongkong Telegraph* for the week ended February 20, 1915.

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The rate of the dollar on demand was 1s. 9.3/16d.

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Mr. (now Sir) Robert Ho Tung made an immediate gift of $50,000 to the Hongkong University Endowment Fund, with a proviso that part of the income be devoted to a chair of clinical surgery tenable at the Government Civil Hospital, and a further gift of $5,000 annually for ten years.

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Four interned German prisoners at the Hunghom camp escaped by a tunnel from underneath a concert platform to the wire fencing enclosing the camp, but they were recaptured some days later by the police in the Saikung district, footsore and weary.

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The Hongkong Hotel Co. reported a profit on working account for the half-year totalling $40,005. A dividend of $2.50 per share was recommended.

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Mr. J. J. Leira resigned his post as Portuguese Consul-General, and Mr. Jose de Obaldia was appointed his successor.

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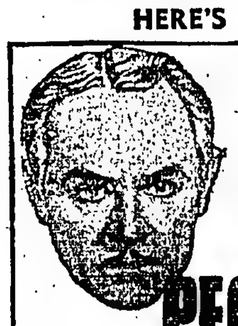

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NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

MARKET UPWARD YESTERDAY

New York, Feb. 20.

Swan, Culbertson & Fritz Dow Jones summary of yesterday's market: Railroad stocks gained from one to five points on the belief that this week's carloadings will be the year's best. Led by railroads, the entire List today advanced, including utility issues. Territory traders are impressed with the market's ability to overcome profit-taking and liked the reports of increasing machinery orders and increasing construction awards. The industrial average is the highest since 1931, the railroad average is the best since 1934, whilst the utility average is near the year's high mark. Automobile shares were very active and numerous high levels for the year were reached. Railroad securities made the best gains. There was a demand for oil issues, led by Standard Oil of New Jersey stocks. Liquors were strong, and constructions were buoyant. Mercantile stocks, farm equipment and steel shares have advanced. The market for bonds was upward. Stocks on the Curb Exchange were higher.

Swan, Culbertson and Fritz *Wall Street Journal* comment:— "Cigarette manufacturerers will save at least $13,000,000, due to the invalidation of the Processing Tax. The Chevrolet car has recovered its first place in automobile passenger car sales. Bankers do not expect any rise in call-money. Bad weather conditions have been materially hurting Woolworth's sales recently. Many authorities believe that the market's immediate position is facing a test and many traders are now tightening their accounts and are going to side-lines temporarily. Brokers expect heavier trading in the near future."

S. C. & F. New York office cables:

Stocks: Stocks to-day were in renewed demand, with railroad issues in the lead and utility securities were firm. The Union Pacific Railroad Company has earned $8.54 per share for the year 1935, against $6.62 the previous year. The United Aircraft Corporation has earned 20 cents per share in 1935 against 50 cents the previous year. The Corporation's unfilled orders amounted to $15,804,000 at the end of 1935, against $7,538,000 at the end of 1934.

Cotton: Opposition is developing to the Smith plan for the sale of loan stocks of cotton. It is reported that there is a large increase in the Brazilian crop for 1936. The market is quiet.

Wheat: There was a technical adjustment in May contracts on the slight improvement in the foreign markets. There is some apprehension regarding damage to the crop by the cold wave, but we doubt if the crop will actually be affected.

Rubber: An early settlement to the Goodyear Tyre strike is expected. Dealers and manufacturers are again buying.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

LATEST SHARE QUOTATIONS

The following quotations on the London Stock Exchange have been received by Messrs. Swan, Culbertson and Fritz in conjunction with *Reuter*.

	Feb. 19.	Feb. 20.
British Government Securities		
War Loan 3½% redm. after 1952	£107¾	£107¾
Chinese Bonds		
4½% Bonds 1898 (Eng. Iss.)	£103¾	£103½
4½% Loan 1908 .	£ 98	£ 98
5% Loan 1912 ..	£ 78½	£ 79¼
5% Reorg. Loan 1913 (Ldn. Iss.)	£ 92	£ 92½
5% Gold Bonds 1925-47	£ 94¾	£ 95¼
5% S'hai-Nanking Rly.	£ 68¾	£ 69
5% Tient.-Pukow Rly.	£ 36	£ 38
5% Tient.-Pukow Railway (Supl. Loan)	£ 34	£ 35
5% Honan Rly. .	£ 30	£ 30
5% Hukuang Rly. 1911	£ 46	£ 46
5% Lung Tsing U. Hai Rly. 1913 .	£ 18½	£ 19
Foreign Bonds and Banks		
German 7% Int. Loan 1924	£ 58½	£ 58½
Japan 5% Sterling Loan 1907	£ 79	£ 79
Japan 6% Sterling Loan 1924	£ 91¾	£ 91¾
H.K. & S'hai Bk. (Ldn. Regd.) ..	£102	£102
Chartd. Bk. of I.A. & C.	£ 15	£ 14⅞
Commercial and Industrial		
Allied Ironfounders	36/3	36/3
Associated & Elec. Industries	48/–	48/6
Austin Motors ord. sh.	51/6	51/3
Boots Pure Drug	56/9	56/9
British-American Tobacco (bearer)	127/6	126/10½
Canadian Celanese	112/6	112/6
Chinese Eng. & Min. (Bearer) .	13/9	13/9
Courtaulds	55/9	56/–
Distillers	102/6	102/6
Dunlop Rubber ..	39/3	40/–
Marks & Spencer "A" ord.	96/10½	97/6
General Electric (England)	81/–	80/9
Hawker Aircraft .	34/3	34/–
Impl. Chem. Ind.	40/6	41/–
O.K. Bazaars	50/–	50/–
Impl. Tobacco ..	154/4½	154/4½
Rolls Royce	190/–	185/–
S'hai Elec. Constr.	46/–	46/–
Tate & Lyle	89/–	88/9
Turner & Newall .	76/6	76/6
United Steel	36/–	35/6
Vickers ord.	27/4½	26/9
Guinness	154/–	153/–
Woolworths	122/9	122/9
Miscellaneous		
Anglo-Dutch	29/6	29/3
Gula Kalumpong Rubber	28/6	28/6
Pekin Synd.	2/–	2/–
Rubber Trusts .	34/–	34/–
Mines		
Burma Corpn.	10/4½	10/3
Commonwealth Mining	10/6	10/4½
Randfontein Estates	52/–	52/3
Cammellaird ord.	11/–	10/4½
Springs Mines ..	42/6	42/6
Sub-Nigel	240/–	240/–
Tanami Gold Mining	2/6	2/6
Marsman Investments	28/6	28/6
Oils		
Anglo-Iranian ...	90/7½	90/7½
Burmah	94/4½	93/9
Shell Trans and Trad. (Bearer) .	91/3	90/–
Chosen Corpn. ..	12/9	12/9

"TELEGRAPH" ART SUPPLEMENT

To-morrow's Picture Features

Numerous topical illustrations will appear in to-morrow's issue of the *Telegraph* Pictorial Supplement.

Weddings illustrated will include those of Lieut. C. Hamilton and Miss Beatrice Gerrard, Mr. John Walker and Miss Gladys Moore, Mr. V. R. Rodisnoff and Mrs. T. Bondoreva, Mr. C. H. Lo and Miss P. C. Yim.

The Colony's first mass marriage ceremony will also be shown, whilst groups will include the No. 7 Platoon of the East Lancashire Battalion (winners of the Manley Cup), and members of Eliot Hall, Hongkong University.

Pictures taken at the Fanling Races will also appear.

There will be, in addition, the popular entertainment and feature pages.

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DEATH.

HUGHES.—At the War Memorial Hospital, this morning, February 21st, 1936, William Parry Lynn Hughes. Aged 29. Funeral passes the Monument at 4.30 p.m. to-day.

The Hongkong Telegraph.

FRIDAY, FEB. 21, 1936.

BRITISH EDUCATION REFORM

Britain is at the moment engaged on a big scheme of educational reform, in which practically all aspects of the question are being taken in hand. It was only a few months ago that the Board of Education completed its proposals, but no time is being lost in developing the scheme, which is mainly concerned with the raising of the school-leaving age from fourteen to fifteen. The full programme requires some statutory changes, and thus the necessity has arisen of introducing a Bill on the subject in the House of Commons. It is an essential part of the scheme that local authorities are being required to survey their own educational fields and co-operate in devising a complete programme, when it will be possible to form an idea of the total cost involved. It is expected that an enormous sum will be required; it is already estimated that £12,000,000 will be required for improvements in technical and art education, which forms but one of the eight main plans proposed. These plans provide for the training of the children from infancy to adolescence. Provision will be made for children between the ages of two and five years to attend nursery schools and classes. There are at present five thousand such centres throughout the country, but these have proved insufficient and local education authorities have been asked to notify the Board of those areas which require further accommodation. This is the most prominent item in the programme, as it is considered most important that children should be given a good start in life if they are to profit from the general scheme, and this is impossible while there are many poor homes in the country where young children cannot be provided with the attention they require. Another item provides for the improvement of school buildings. As children are particularly susceptible to environment, it is obvious that, in order to reap full benefit from a high standard of teaching, they must work amid pleasant surroundings. The worst evils in this direction are to be found in elementary schools, and the Board is therefore increasing from twenty to fifty per cent. the present rate of grant payable on expenditure on elementary school buildings. The Board also proposes to provide for an increase in the rate of grant payable on the conveyance of children to school. This refers more particularly to children living in rural areas where they are obliged to travel to school by bus or train. In this connection it has been suggested that the authorities should provide school canteens where children may receive meals at a reasonably low cost. With regard to secondary schools, the maximum limit hitherto placed on the number of special scholarships awarded annually is to be removed. This is of great importance, for it will enable all children of sufficient ability to further their education under the secondary system, where before only a limited number, whose parents could not afford the requisite fees, enjoyed this privilege. Moreover the number of State scholarships from secondary schools into Universities is to be increased by twenty per cent. Particular stress is laid upon the importance of young people obtaining the career most suited to them. It is obvious that all types cannot be catered for, but by the furtherance of technical and art education much can be done to open prospective careers to large numbers whose talents would otherwise never be properly developed.

VANISHING RULERS OF EUROPE

Where Are They Now?

Asks Ian Ward

In the *News Chronicle*

IN 1910 eight foreign monarchs and seven heirs to thrones followed King Edward's body to Westminster. In 1936 there will be five foreign monarchs and four heirs to thrones accompanying that of King George V.

Only one, King Haakon of Norway, will have been present on both occasions; there are not so many kings as there were. . . .

For most of those monarchs present in 1910 it might be said that King Edward's funeral was their own. The last great gathering of the kings, the families who had owned Europe for hundreds of years, it is fortunate that many of them could not foresee, on that bright May morning, what was to come.

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THE HOHENZOLLERN from Germany, the Habsburg from Austria, the Romanov from Russia, the Bourbon from Spain, the Braganza from Portugal, the Osmanli from Turkey, not to speak of Saxony, Bavaria and Wurtemberg — each was there. Although representatives of some of their houses are here to-day, not one single house still rules.

The Kaiser was there. He was to be hustled, still protesting, into Holland, having refused officially to abdicate. There is, to-day, a field-marshal in Doorn, who dines, nightly, in his decorated uniform and still has his private correspondence delivered by courier. But neither the fact that he is now one of the most expert living woodchoppers, nor that he possesses a private fortune of some £40,000,000, can change, for this field-marshal, the terrible truth that he has not one soldier under his command.

The Archduke Francis Ferdinand of Austria was there. Proud of his reputation as the man who was putting Austria back on other peoples' maps, particularly that of the Bosnians and Herzegovinians. At the same time, a charming man, the most far-sighted politically in the Empire, well disposed to minorities and the Slavs, and who had the courage to marry in defiance of the most snobbish Court in Europe. His car went up the wrong street one day in Sarajevo and had to come back, slowly. . . .

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THE Grand Duke Michael of Russia was there. Brother of the Tsar, he became Regent for a short time in 1917. He was promptly murdered.

King Alfonso XIII. of Spain was there. Perhaps the most romantic figure of all—outside Spain. But he did not succeed in leaving Spain with nearly as much money as the Kaiser, and the method of his departure was even less creditable.

He did not die, and he was not properly arrested, deported interned or escorted. He simply got in a boat for Marseilles. Now, for the man with more titles than anyone in the world, there is only the family at Fontainebleau. And travelling. . . .

King Manuel of Portugal was there. One of the youngest and handsomest of all. A few months later, in that extraordinary palace perched on the hills at Cintra, built by a German colonel, he left a copy of an English illustrated paper open on the table, half read. There was no time to finish it is our own.

and still get to the open sea. The paper is still there. The Braganzas are not.

The Hereditary Prince of the Ottoman Empire was there. In 1916 he committed suicide.

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THERE were others present who, although their descendants still rule, were as unfortunate as any of the foregoing.

George, King of the Hellenes, was assassinated in Salonika, at the head of his victorious army, in 1913. The Hereditary Prince of Serbia, later King Alexander of Yugo-Slavia, met his end quite recently, in Marseilles.

The King of the Belgians was killed rock-climbing. Tsar Ferdinand of Bulgaria was the luckiest, perhaps. This brilliant ornithologist was one of the oddest, and in many ways one of the shrewdest, though least attractive, of all modern monarchs. He had such a horror of disease—the sanitary equipment of Bulgaria was sketchy—that he had all his carriages disinfected every day.

Threatened, at the outset of his reign, with assassination, he said, "I resolved that if there were to be any assasinations, I would be on the side of the assassins." He ended his days peacefully at Coburg, in exile, collecting butterflies and flowers.

Apart from King Edward, these are the kings of to-day's ceremony: King Leopold of the Belgians, King Haakon of Norway, King Christian of Denmark, King Boris of Bulgaria and King Carol of Rumania. The heirs to thrones are Umberto, Prince of Piedmont, the Crown Prince Paul of Greece, and the Crown Princes of Sweden and Egypt. The Infante Don Alfonso of Spain and Prince Frederick of Prussia represent the past. . . .

It is difficult, when reflecting on these two funerals, not to speculate a little on kingship, its dangers and safeguards. Of all these monarchies, past and present, there is plainly one which finds itself in a unique position. Some have fallen, some hang in the balance, and some continue, as popular as ever.

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ONLY ONE IS stronger, more sure, and more popular in 1936 than it was in 1836, or in 1914, or 1918, or than ever before. It

The reasons are practically impossible for a foreigner, for instance, unless he be an intuitive expert, like M. Andre Maurois, to understand. M. Maurois recently made a very penetrating remark. He said that one of the reasons why we were the most enthusiastic monarchists in the world, was because of the English Constitution, and he went on to say "the inimitable virtue of the Constitution is that it does not exist." This is perfectly true. Unlike that immovable bogey, the American Constitution, it is resilient, adaptable.

Above all, the King is never held responsible, and is consequently outside the ephemeral and dangerous play of politics. His function is to preside and, in presiding, to represent. *What he represents* is England. He represents England because he is a man, and not an idea, because he inherits his position and does not have to scramble for it, and because he is the centre of social life.

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IN SHORT, HE is England—the England of charm, of splendour, of duty, of disinterestedness — the England that does not make mistakes, the ideal England. The value, the comfort of such a conception is inestimable. It is, so to speak, the no-knife-to-grind quality of it that is so important. Such a state of affairs could not have been deliberately, consciously constructed. It just grew.

Even then, it could not, in the last 100 years, have ever grown, had not the astonishing personal characters of our sovereigns made it possible.

King George was, technically, without power. But the power that he wielded by his example was an infinitely greater, more lasting, and more real power than that of any of Europe's most truculent dictators. Their secret is secret police, plus hysteria. His secret was altruism, plus patience.

They will fall, and kings who emulate them will fall, as they have done, like ninepins, since 1914. They may do their work, but they do it the wrong way and for the wrong reasons. For the satisfaction of ambition, for personal rewards. A King of England can have no ambitions, and as for rewards he prefers to bestow them.

There are many people who, from the highest motives, would like to bring the monarchy to an end in Englaind. They disapprove of some of the things it stands for. Well, it stands for a number of things, and among them we shall find fairness, tolerance, experience, a respect for the past and an open mind for the future. These are not bad things.

It is not a bad thing for a country to have a man in whom the aspirations and ideals of millions may concentrate. A man above politics. A man who is an example of selflessness, whose character teaches, in itself, one of the lessons that the contemporary world most needs to learn. A man like King George V. A man like King Edward VIII.

NOTES OF THE DAY

SAFETY IN THE AIR

Those concerned with British aviation do not lay too much stress upon high speed and the general efficiency of aeroplanes at the expense of the comfort and the safety of passengers. The accident figures show that flying is becoming steadily safer in British machines. This is true of both the Royal Air Force and civil aviation, in spite of apparent contradictory evidence in recent days. The number of fatal accidents to Royal Aircraft recorded for 1935 was twenty-five, involving forty-three deaths—which included nine killed in one accident. This is admittedly a higher figure than that of 1934, when twenty fatal accidents were attended by thirty-one deaths. Against this must be set an increase of ten squadrons in the strength of the service and the fact that the hours flown in 1935 have been appreciably higher than in 1934. It is believed that in no other air-force in the world is the average amount of flying mileage so great as in the British Air Force. The aggregate number of miles flown last year exceeded fifty million.

A similar story could be told of civil aviation. In 1935 there were twenty-three fatal accidents to civil planes, including air liners, and forty-eight people lost their lives; whereas in 1934 the number of fatal accidents was twenty-five, and forty-five lost their lives. But here again allowance must be made for the tremendous increase in the number of miles flown. The mileage covered by civil planes has not yet been estimated but there have been increases in air transport in all directions. In this connection the record of Imperial Airways deserves special mention. From 1933 to 1935 this Company carried 129,000 passengers and its aeroplanes flew a distance of 6,800,000 miles, but the recent accident to one of its planes off Alexandria was the first fatal one that had occurred since 1933.

BRITISH LOAN TO FRANCE

CHANCELLOR ON FRENCH HELP

PROTECTING EXCHANGE

London, Feb. 20.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, was questioned in the House of Commons today regarding the sterling credit to France.

He replied that the French Government had recently informed him of its desire to raise a banking credit in London. The House would recollect in 1931, owing to the good offices of the French Government, His Majesty's Government obtained a large banking credit in Paris, and on the present occasion, as on the occasion of a similar operation in 1933, he was glad to be able to perform a similar service and to convey to the French Government his consent to their proposed borrowing.

The credit was for a total of £40,000,000 for a period not exceeding nine months.

The Chancellor added that when he gave consent to the operation he naturally had in mind the position of the exchanges and satisfied himself that proper technical arrangements had been made between the central banks.

Answering a member who enquired about the outstanding indebtedness of France to Great Britain, the Chancellor said the last payment received from France in respect of war Debts was made in June, 1931, and since that date the payments have been suspended in accordance with the arrangements made at the Lausanne Conference.—*British Wireless.*

LORRY DRIVER FINED

COLLISION JUST AVERTED

On a complaint by Mr. Grant, Assistant Superintendent of Police, Chan Ping, driver of lorry No. 4456, appeared before Mr. W. Schofield, at the Central Magistracy this morning, on a summons for driving without due care and caution in Majn Street, Shaukiwan, on February 7.

It was stated by Traffic Inspector Alexander that Mr. Grant was driving along Main Street when defendant drove his lorry out of a side lane right in front of Mr. Grant's car. A collision was just averted by Mr. Grant applying his brakes.

Defendant admitted the summons, and was fined $20, in default three weeks' hard labour.

TRAMP SHIPPING SUBSIDY

COMMONS APPROVES CONTINUATION

London, Feb. 20.

The President of the Board of Trade Mr. Walter Runciman, in moving the second reading in the Commons of the Government's Bill to continue the subsidy in aid of tramp shipping, amounting to two million pounds, and to make eligible for the grant certain vessels previously excluded, said on national grounds every effort must be made to preserve the efficiency of tramp shipping, which was one of the most valuable elements in the British Mercantile Marine.

Mr. Runciman reviewed the year's working of the subsidy and claimed it had resulted in benefit to all interests concerned in shipping, commenting, in the connection, with pleasure on the agreement reached by the National Maritime Board for the restoration of cuts in seamen's wages.

The rejection of the Bill was moved for the Labour Opposition by Mr. Shinwell, who contended the no case had been made out for continued expenditure of public money towards the promotion of private interests.

Sir Robert Horne supported the Bill, which he held was justified by the necessity for meeting subsidised foreign competition which has been driving British ships off the seas.

The second reading was carried by 234 votes to 126.

HIGHER WAGES

As the result of negotiations between shipbuilding employers and the Trade Unions, adult shipyard workers will receive in April an advance of two shillings per week, or 4 per cent. in the case of piece workers. The agreement is for a period of nine months.—*British Wireless.*

BRITISH INDUSTRY BOOMING

HIGHEST INCREASE FOR YEARS

London, Feb. 20.

The Board of Trade index of industrial production in the United Kingdom in 1935 was seven per cent. greater than in 1934. The improvement was distributed throughout the four quarters, the advance in the second half of the year being slightly greater than in the first six months.

Activity in manufacturing industries was 7.7 per cent. greater last year than in 1934 and represents the highest recorded production in those groups since the calculation was first made in respect of 1927.

Index numbers for the December quarter, both for manufacturing industries and for all groups, represents the greatest volume of production in any quarter since information was first obtained.—*British Wireless.*

MR. EASTERBROOK RETIRING

LEAVES FOR HOME TO-DAY

ACTIVE CAREER OUTLINED

Mr. F. J. Easterbrook, M.C., M.C.I., M.I.ST.E., F.I.A.A., well-known architect and civil engineer, will be severing an association with the Colony extending over fourteen years, when he leaves for Home on retirement, accompanied by Mrs. Easterbrook, to-day. Mr. and Mrs. Easterbrook are sailing by the N.D.L. liner Gneisenau, and they will carry with them the sincere wishes of a large circle of friends for their future happiness and good health in the Old Country.

Mr. Easterbrook has had a varied and successful career in many parts of the world, and he also saw active service in the Great War, in which he won the Military Cross. He began his career in 1895 as an articled pupil with Messrs. Wiblin and de Boinville, architects and surveyors, at Plymouth, with whom he subsequently became an assistant. In 1900, he joined the Staff for Royal Engineer services as a civilian draughtsman,

in which capacity he was employed in Ireland and Gibraltar, resigning in 1906. He was then for several years in the Argentine Republic, on the Buenos Aires-Pacific Railway, being successively engaged as architectural draughtsman, assistant engineer, engineer in charge, senior draughtsman and chief of the technical office.

For over two years, he was an engineer contractor in the Argentine and in 1913-14 he became Assistant Resident Engineer of the Argentine Transandine Railway.

WAR SERVICE

Then came the Great War, and Mr. Easterbrook secured a temporary commission, as Lieutenant, in the 6th Battalion of the South Wales Borderers, rising in three months to the rank of Captain. He proceeded to France in 1915 and participated in three major battles, including the Battle of Vimy Ridge, where he secured the M.C. decoration. He was afterwards transferred to the Royal Engineers and was appointed Officer Commanding No. 1 Light Railway Company. In 1918, he became acting Major.

After the war, he returned to England, still serving with the Royal Engineers, being Officer Commanding Royal Engineers at Newhaven, Division Officer Royal Engineers at Seaford, and temporary Staff Officer of the Eastern Command. Later he was given a permanent commission on the Staff for Royal Engineer Services and became Division Officer, Royal Engineers, at Maresfield and Crowborough, and in 1922 was appointed Superintending Inspector of Works, China Command, in Hongkong.

On resigning his commission, in 1923, he joined the Hongkong Engineering and Construction Co., Ltd., as a civil engineer, and later became assistant manager of this concern. In 1926, he established himself as a consulting engineer, and in the following year he joined the architectural department of the Hongkong Realty and Trust Co., Ltd. Subsequently, he became architect and civil engineer with the China Light and Power Co., Ltd., and in 1930 joined the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., in the same capacity, from which position he has just retired. In this latter capacity, he was responsible for designing and supervising the erection of the Company's big new piers.

LOCAL ACTIVITIES

Apart from his professional career, Mr. Easterbrook has taken a prominent part in the social life of the Colony, being a very keen Life member of the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club, having served on the Rowing and Sailing Committees as well as being Hon. Secretary. He has also been a valuable member of the Committee of the Kowloon Residents' Association, in which connection he has rendered valued services to various subcommittees in connection with municipal projects on the Peninsula.

During the 1927 "trouble," Mr. Easterbrook joined the local Volunteers as a private, at which time his son was a Sergeant in the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps.

Mr. and Mrs. Easterbrook have two sons, both electrical engineers, one of whom is with the China Light and Power Co., Ltd., and the other at Home.

OFFICE WARBLER ASSAULTED

GOVERNMENT CLERKS' QUARREL

Because his singing in office annoyed a colleague, a quarrel arose between two clerks employed at the Government Statistical Office, Wanchai, as a result of which they met after office hours in Fleming Road on February 19 and had a fight in which one of the two was cut on his forearm with a pocket knife.

As a sequel, Leung Ting-fong, aged 26 years, a clerk, appeared before Mr. W. Schofield, at the Central Magistracy this morning, charged with assaulting Li Chi-tim, a fellow clerk, and admitted the charge.

Detective Sergeant D. Fitches said both men were employed in the Statistical Office, Wanchai. Yesterday, Mr. Lewis, the chief clerk, received a letter from the complainant to the effect he had been stabbed by the defendant on the previous afternoon. In his letter complainant stated he had had a quarrel with defendant, and had later been stabbed by defendant at a lonely place. He did not wish to report the matter to the police, for the honour of the office.

Mr. Lewis informed the police, and also saw defendant, when he came back to office. Defendant frankly admitted having had a quarrel with complainant in the office. He said that the complainant was continually singing in office and interfering with his work. He had asked complainant to shut up, and they had had words. After work was finished for the day, they went to Fleming Road and fought it out. He alleged complainant drew out a pocket knife, and in the struggle which ensued when he tried to get possession of the knife, complainant received a cut on his left forearm.

Sergeant Fitches suggested that both men be bound over, as they were Government employees.

Mr. Schofield bound over both defendant and complainant in bonds of $100 each to keep the peace for one year.

FANLING GOLF

STARTING TIMES FOR SUNDAY

Old Course

9.20 W. A. Stewart, H. Laffond.
9.24 A. W. Hughes, A. Nicol.
9.28 T. C. Monaghan, E. des Voeux.
9.32 G. Marseille, W. G. Roberts.
9.36. D. Hope Gill, J. Harrop.
9.40 P. Morrison, R. Young.
9.44 D. A. O'Kieffe, E. T. McMullen.
9.48 W. L. Alexander, I. W. Lang.
9.52 R. H. MacGregor, C. C. W. Willson.
9.56 H. L. Schultz, L. H. Geare.
10.00 H. H. Pethick, T. J. Draper.
10.04 C. C. Stark, J. W. Mayhew.
10.08 J. A. Shaw, J. R. Sindlinger.
10.12 K. W. Jones, P. L. Leefe.
10.16 A. Anderson, J. Forbes.
10.20 A. B. Purves, A. Sommerfelt.
10.24 D. S. Edward, W. J. S. Key.
10.28 J. G. Charlton, J. Angwin.
10.32 J. S. Dykes, D. J. Keogh.
10.36 A. M. Kirby, R. A. Rodgers.
10.40 H. Durrschimdt, H. F. Paget.
10.44 E. M. Bryden, D. S. Robb.
10.48 J. A. R. Solby, D. Forbes.
10.52 H. Jusserand, Comdr. Hole.
10.56 L. R. Billinghurst, F. M. Ellis.
11.00 I. C. Mackay, F. C. Mudie.
11.04 Major Davies, G. F. Rees.
11.08 Lt. Cdr. Russell, T. R. Chassels.
11.12 Lt. Cdr. Bratt, Sub. Lt. Battersby.
11.16 D. L. Newbigging, Wing Cdr. Bishop.
11.20 Surg. Lt. Cdr. May, Lieut. Kunkel.

New Course

9.28 W. Sharp, R. L. S. Webb.
9.36 G. E. Costello, J. Mc I. Brown.
9.44 Mrs. Harrop, E. R. Price.
10.40 R. E. Lindsell, C. C. Black.
11.12 Mrs. May, Mrs. Kunkel.

RADIO BROADCAST

Commentary on New Zealand Rugby Match

B.B.C. DANCE ORCHESTRA

From Z.B.W. on a wavelength of 355 Metres (845 kilocycles):

4-5 p.m. Chinese Programme.

5-6.15 p.m. A running commentary on the Rugby Football Match between New Zealand Universities and Hongkong from the Hongkong Football Club Ground.

6.15-7 p.m. Chinese Programme.

6.30-7 p.m. Children's Studio Concert.

7-7.30 p.m. Orchestral Music. The Music of the Spheres (Josef Strauss, Op. 235); Summer Night on the River (Delius); Carissima (Elgar); Salut D'Amour (Elgar); Alborada del Gracioso (Ravel).

7.30-7.50 p.m. Hawaiian Selections. Chiquita—Waltz (Wayn); Drifting and Dreaming; On the Dreamy Moana Shore (Dyson); Honolulu March; Kohala March; Sweet Hawaiian Maid.

7.50-8 p.m. From the Studio. "New Books Worth Reading" by D.E.A.

8 p.m. Time and Weather Report; Stock Quotations.

8.05-8.10 p.m. "Silly Symphonies" (arr. Munro).

8.10-8.20 p.m. From the Studio. "The Race Meeting" by Valley.

8.20-8.40 p.m. From the Studio. A Pianoforte Recital by Caroline Braga.

Programme

1. Prelude and Fugue in D Minor. No. 30. . .Bach; 2. Poem, Op. 4 No. 4 . . .Fibich; 3. Cradle Song (refrain de Berceau). . .Palmgren; 4. Shadow Dance, Op. 39, No. 8. . .Macdowell; 5. Deux Arabesques in A Major and G Major. . .Debussy.

8.40-9 p.m. A Relay from Daventry. The B.B.C. Dance Orchestra, directected by Henry Hall.

9-9.20 p.m. Daventry News Bulletin.

9.20-9.30 p.m. "Melville Gideon Medley."

9.30-9.40 p.m. A Relay from Daventry. "The British Industries Fair, 1936" by V. A. Lowinger, C.B.E.

9.40-10 p.m. The J. H. Squire Celeste Octet. Ave Maria (Schubert, arr. Willoughby); Spring Song (Mendelssohn, arr. Willoughby); Andante Cantabile (Tschaikovsky, arr. Willoughby); La Paloma—Spanish Serenade (Yradier); O Sole Mio (di Capua).

10 p.m. Big Ben.

10-11 p.m. Dance Music.

11 p.m. Close Down.

RUGBY GUESTS AT TIFFIN

ENTERTAINED BY ASSOCIATION

Dr. H. D. Matthews expressed a very warm welcome to the New Zealand Universities rugby team at the Gloucester Hotel to-day when the visitors were guests of the Australian and New Zealand Association at tiffin.

It was a well-attended function, among the more prominent guests being Mr. P. Martin Smith, manager of the Universities team, Dr. Ian Clunies-Ross (on a special mission to Manchukuo for the Commonwealth Government), Mr. Bowden (Australian Trade Commissioner to China), Mr. S. H. Garrod and other members of the Hongkong Football Club.

Dr. Matthews, who presided, said how glad they were to have the opportunity once again of welcoming the New Zealand rugby players. Their visit to Japan had been a great success where they showed not only the way to handle the ball and to exploit the technique of the game, but had played rugby in a truly sporting spirit and had proved themselves to be gentlemen and men, worthy upholders of New Zealand.

GENEROUS HOSPITALITY

Mr. Martin Smith in acknowledgment expressed sincere thanks for the generous hospitality of Hongkong, memories of which would rank second to none among the recollections of their happy and successful tour. He paid a fitting tribute to the team, whom he said had behaved themselves in exemplary fashion and had shown themselves to be true and worthy representatives of their country.

Mr. Bowden also added his good wishes to the New Zealand team and said how sorry they were in Shanghai not to have the chance of entertaining them and seeing them in action. He tendered a message of goodwill from the Anzac Society of Shanghai to the Australian and New Zealand Association in Hongkong.

SYNTHETIC RUBBER

GREAT DEVELOPMENT PREDICTED

Berlin, Feb. 20.

The *Germania*, commenting on Herr Hitler's claim that Germany had solved the synthetic rubber problem, admits that natural rubber is considerably cheaper than the synthetic product, of which at present only 600 tons are being produced monthly, in face of Germany's total requirements of six thousand tons.

However, the journal prophesies sensational results from artificial manufacture, which will eventually effect structural changes in the international rubber market.—*Reuter.*

DAY BY DAY NEWS IN BRIEF

WONDROUS IS THE STRENGTH OF CHEERFULNESS, ALTOGETHER PAST CALCULATIONS ITS POWERS OF ENDURANCE.—*Thomas Carlyle.*

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The screening of the birth control film and the medical dinner, which were to have been held at the Chinese Merchants' Club to-day, has been cancelled.

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A five-year old boy, Wong On, residing at an unnumbered hut in Cheungshawan, was admitted to the Kowloon Hospital yesterday suffering from scalds, caused when a pot of boiling tea accidentally fell on him.

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Ng Chun, an employee of the Hongkong Rubber Company, Belcher Street, was admitted to the Government Civil Hospital yesterday suffering from injuries to his hand, which had been accidentally caught in a feeding machine at the factory.

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Banished from the Colony on February 1 this year for a period of 10 years, Lau Hing, aged 23, returned, and was charged with the offence before Mr. Balfour at the Central Magistracy this morning. He received nine months' hard labour. Detective Sergeant Allen prosecuted.

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A 45-year-old widow, Luk So, appeared before Mr. Balfour at the Central Magistracy this morning, charged with the possession of 385 *po-piu* lottery tickets at Des Voeux Road Central. A fine of $50, or one month's hard labour, was imposed, and an order made for the destruction of the tickets. Sub-Inspector L. Tyler prosecuted.

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Local estate valued at $361,300 was left by the late Mr. Soo Hoo-hong, *alias* Soo Hoo-thong, *alias* Soo Hoo Toon-mook, *alias* Soo Hoo Kit-hong, *alias* Se To-tong, pawnbroker, formerly of 39 Stewart Lane, Penang, who died on October 20, 1935, at Lun Kai Li Village, Hoi Ping district, Kwangtung. Pobabate of the will and codicil has been granted to Hoong Yuet-hor, Wong Foong-klow and Soo Hoo Yit-leng, *alias* Soo Hoo-yit.

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Pleading guilty to a breach of a deportation order dated July 22, 1932, by which he had been banished from the Colony for ten years, Hung Kiu, 31, unemployed, was sentenced to 12 months' hard labour by Mr. Macfadyen at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning. Defendant pleaded that he "just came back with friends to make some purchases." He admitted a previous conviction for the same offence. Detective-Sergeant J. Headridge prosecuted.

Two cases of Typhoid were reported to the local Health authorities on Wednesday.

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Lo Lin, boilermaker, was admitted to the Kwong Wah Hospital yesterday in a serious condition, as a result of a fall aboard the steamer Haiching.

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There will be no dinner dance on Saturday, at Repulse Bay Hotel, but the usual tea dance will be held on Sunday, at 4.30 p.m.

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The January issue of "Shell Aviation News" is an excellent one, full of interesting articles and well illustrated. A photograph is included of the Imperial Airways liner "Dorado" at Kai Tak aerodrome.

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Shareholders are reminded of the annual meeting of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation which takes place to-morrow (Saturday) at 11.30 a.m. at the Head Office of the Corporation, No. 1 Queen's Road Central.

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Charged with the theft of a table fan valued at $12, an unemployed man, Ho Siu-lun, aged 21, was sentenced to three weeks' hard labour by Mr. Balfour at the Central Magistracy this morning, when he admitted the offence. The complainant was Lee Kwok-choi, clerk, of No. 236, Des Voeux Road Central. Detective-Sergeant Cashman prosecuted.

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Dr. C. T. Wang, District Governor of Rotary for China, the Philippines and Hongkong, is due to arrive in Hongkong by the President Grant this afternoon and will be entertained to dinner this evening, by the local Rotary Club. The dinner will be held in the Jacobean Room of the Hongkong Hotel at 8 o'clock instead of in the Peninsula Hotel as previously announced.

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Kwan Kwan, aged 20, unemployed, appeared before Mr. Balfour at the Central Magistracy this morning on a charge of larceny of $7 from the person of Hau San-choi, a dispenser. Detective-Sergeant T. Cashman stated that defendant visited complainant at No. 103, Wing Lok Street and asked for the loan of his bed for a few hours. Complainant complied and went out, but after his return, found $7 missing from his coat pocket. He searched for defendant and found him in a *mah-jongg* school in Wanchai. When arrested defendant had $4.40, part of complainant's money, on him. Sentence of three weeks' hard labour was imposed, and an order made for $7 restitution to be made to complainant.

COMMUNISTS PLOT WITH ROMAN CATHOLICS?

(SPECIAL TO "TELEGRAPH")

Berlin, Feb. 20.

An alleged plot among Catholic priests and Communist leaders in the Rhineland and Westphalia was the subject of an official communique to-day.

This document states that the Secret Police are investigating an alleged plan of co-operation between the Catholic Young Men's Associations and Communist organisations, with a view to checking a planned act of high treason.

Up to now, seven leading Communists and ten priests have been arrested. Forty-five other prominent Catholics are also in custody.—*Reuter Service.*

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THE FIRST FOUR EVENTS

MOST LIKELY PONIES

UNCERTAINTY OF STARTERS CREATES DIFFICULTY

(By "Captain Foster")

I sincerely trust readers will appreciate that it is not an easy job to make a tip, owing to the fact, that practically all the ponies have two or more engagements per day at the Annual Race Meeting and under the circumstances, the task in ascertaining where they are going to start has always been a nasty problem for any tipsters. With no help from the owners, there is undoubtedly no other recourse than to employ horse-sense to the best of one's knowledge.

As an instance, the renowned Liberty Bay has been entered for the opening event, the Foochow Cup over 1½ miles and also the last race of to-morrow's programme, the New Stables Plate, from the Two Mile Post, once round and in. To the best of my experience, the owner will probably start Liberty Bay in the latter race which is a shorter event, as on Monday, Mr. Dunbar's unbeaten Bay gelding has an important engagement in the Challenge Cup which is over 1¾ miles. If Liberty Bay starts in the Foochow Cup, the distance is one and a half miles, and this, plus 1¾ miles, would mean the running of 3¼ miles for Liberty Bay in two days.

FOOCHOW CUP

However, the Foochow Cup will not draw many acceptors and with Liberty Bay out of the field, King's Warden should have no difficulty to pass the Post first with Diana Bay and Herod following in the rear.

At time of writing, I have not as yet a list of the probable starters for the First and Second Sections of the Wong-Nei-Chong Stakes and the distance of this event is half-a-mile. The position of the draw is very important in sprint races and it would be advisable for punters to ascertain this before making their final selections. The Wong-Nei-Chong Stakes has always been noted for paying out handsome dividends and it will be recalled that last year, Strathaird handed out $344.80 for a win to the delight of eight successful backers. I am of the opinion that Cassius, Hawthorn, Heriot, Judea, Merry Jester, Ocean View, Peter Davey, Rose Evelyn, Strathalan and The Hero are speedy merchants and the best is between Hawthorn, Ocean View, Rose Evelyn and The Hero. My final selections will appear in Saturday's issue.

MAIDEN STAKES

Owing to the number of Derby Griffins being less than the previous years, The Stewards had no other alternative but to abolish a few Griffins' races and under the circumstances, the Maiden Stakes over six furlongs should have a big field. We shall certainly see a good race between Forest View, King's Sceptre, Laughing Girl, Royal Consort, Royal Wedding Eve and Tyne, and with no "unforeseen" occurring, Mr. Harriman on Royal Consort should score his initial win.

I think our Six Furlongs' course is the worse and the effect of the draw is important. Our course is a right hand one and being an oval, I consider that big numbers of the draw are the best. However, it will be remembered that Royal Consort was well up with Royal Scot when the latter performed a sensational gallop over a mile in 2.06.1/5., and the first three-quarters of the circuit were covered in 1.35.2/5. I am figuring on Thunder Bay starting in the Trial Plate but should he put up an appearance in this event, this Roan of Mr. Dunbar is dangerous.

SYDNEY MAIDEN STAKES

The Sydney Maiden Stakes confined to Australian Ponies over Six Furlongs will be sub-divided into two sections by the Stewards and so far I have not seen the result of the draw. I am sure the best race of the Meeting will be these two events and spotting the winner in either is just like trying to solve a problem.

I have maintained all along in my notes that in this year's bunch there were more sprinters than stayers and it will not surprise me in the least if the record of six furlongs is shattered to-morrow provided the state of the going is good. There were several fast sprints during the training and considering that our Course is an oval one, the times returned were marvellous.

Last Thursday, Zodiac was given a try-out over a mile and nobody seemed to have the mile timed correctly. The mare came out very late and with the flag-man off his post, some believed that the mile was covered in 1.52 and others made it in 1.53 and more. There was no dispute over the last three-quarters of a mile, namely, 1.24.1/5 and the last quarter was negotiated in 26.2/5 seconds.

It is interesting to observe that the present record is 1.17.2/5 and considering that Zodiac's gallop took place on the training track, the performance was exceptionally good.

Another outstanding gallop which came under my observation was that of Strathroy who did the mile in 1.57.4/5 last Saturday, finishing the last quarter in 27.1/5 seconds, and the last six furlongs were covered in useful time of 1.24.4/5. Mr. Black was riding the pony and believe me, the animal was full of running.

Mention was made long ago about the dark gallop of Able Warrior doing the mile in 1.58 flat and one must now agree that this was not fabricated. We certainly cannot overlook the performance of Yo Ho who last week took 2.31.3/5 to journey the Champion course and his last mile was 1.56.1/5. Then what about Centre Court, Electron, Holiday Eve, Lancashire Lad, Shek-O Fox and The Dunlin. Are they to be left out in the cold? In my estimation, these two events are very open.

CHINA STAKES

There should be no difficulty in spotting the winner in the China Stakes over Five Furlongs owing to the presence of Soldier of Britain, who will be under the captaincy of Mr. D. S. Li. This soldier is very quick out of the barrier and is fast for short distance. Oak Bay, who lost this race to Soldier of Britain last year by a short head, may upset the apple cart. Gladiator is in fine fettle and he should get a place. King's Bounty, King's Fancy and Mistake May will certainly line-up for a run.

RACING DRAW

Entries Divided For Annual Meeting

The draw made by the Hongkong Jockey Club for the Wongneichong Stakes has resulted as follows:

First Section.—Celebration Time, Fidelity, Gold Eagle, Heriot, Humber, Locksmith, Merry Jester, Mountain View, Rose Evelyn, Satan, Siamese Cat, Silver Lining, Supercharge, Unicorn and Yellow Fish.

Second Section.—Blue Sailor, Gunsmith, Hawthorn, Ideal Day, Judea, Lancashire Loom, Ocean View, Paymaster, Peter Davey, Potlatch, Public Hero No. 1, Rugby Star, Stopwatch, Strathalan, The Hero and Wild Cat.

Sydney Maiden Stakes

The following is the draw for the Sydney Maiden Stakes:

First Section.—Able Warrior,

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Mr. Leo Frost, Colony's champion jockey, who will undoubtedly figure prominently among the winners during the next week. (Photo Kobza).

THE MAIN EVENT

PROSPECTS FOR TRIAL PLATE

ROYAL SCOT THE BEST PONY

(By "Captain Foster")

The main event is the Trial Plate over 1¼ miles confined to bona fide Griffins of this Meeting and the winner is to receive $1,000. Second pony is to get $300 and the third prize is $200. There are 25 entries.

There is no better tool than the stopwatch to ascertain the speed of an animal and this can be gauged by the fine performance of Bear Claw's gallop over 1½ miles last Saturday. Bear Claw (Mr. Frost) and Pontiac Bay (Russian Boy) were given a speed test over the Derby course and they took 3.21 flat to travel the journey. It was, without exaggeration, a well timed gallop and the finish was very impressive. The home run was done in 30.2/5 seconds and the last half was covered in 1.02.2/5., with a time of 1.39.1/5., for the last three-quarters of a mile. It must be noted that the last mile was galloped in 2.12 flat and the Champion course was negotiated in 2.45.2/5.

TO BE RESERVED

Bear Claw has certainly speed and energy and it must be admitted that it was the best gallop of this Season among the Derby griffins. I hear that Bear Claw will not fall in for the Trial Plate and his first public appearance will therefore be in the Hongkong Derby. Mr. Eu Tong-sen's Rosemary, a potential winner of the Hongkong Derby, was not on the course yesterday morning and is reported to be lame. Her chances to start at the Annual Meeting are very remote, this being the second occasion that the mare has had to stop work.

With the absence of Bear Claw and Rosemary from the Trial Plate, there should be a thoroughly good race between Honeymoon Eve, King's Lead, Royal Scot and Thunder Bay, and Royal Scot should make his acquaintance with the Judges. The winner of this classic will undoubtedly find a strong opposition in Bear Claw.

GORILLA SHOULD WIN VALLEY STAKES

(By "Captain Foster")

What is there in the Valley Stakes? Every owner is anxious to annex this race. At the Selling Lotteries to be held this evening, the Stewards of the Hongkong Jockey Club have included the Valley Stakes and incidentally, the second leg of the Daily Double event is on this contest. The race is confined to Subscription Griffins over six furlongs and there should be over ten starters.

I cannot see any Sub better than The Gorilla and this pony should give Messrs. Tester and Abraham their first coveted Valley Stakes. Ballos, Gold Sovereign, Mountain View and Wild Cat will give The Gorilla a good run for the money's worth. Gold Sovereign went very well last Sunday, covering the mile in 2.16.2/5., and the last quarter was galloped in 31.3/5 seconds. I fancy he has a good chance in the second place and Wild Cat should fill the third position in the frame. Ballos is not out of the race and the pony will do better over a mile. Judea, Lancashire Loom, Rugby Star, Stopwatch, Strathalan and Unicorn will have better chances after the first two days' racing.

OLD COURSE PLATE

The Old Course Plate over 1¼ miles will bring out the Extra Meetings' stalwarts and we should see a fine race between Cossack's Beauty, Hetman and Ribble. All these three ponies are in the pink of condition and I believe that Cossack's Beauty will just manage to do the trick.

BENDIGO STAKES

The penultimate event, the Bendigo Stakes over a mile is confined to Australian Ponies that have not won more than $3,000 in stakes during 1935.

The conditions of the race have debarred Able Amazon and should therefore be an interesting contest between Halcyon, Saucy Face, Snowy River, Vixen Tor and the Stars.

The Kong Bros. have three representatives, namely, Bobniak Star, Night Star and Shooting Star, and I am inclined to think that this outfit will depend upon Shooting Star to win.

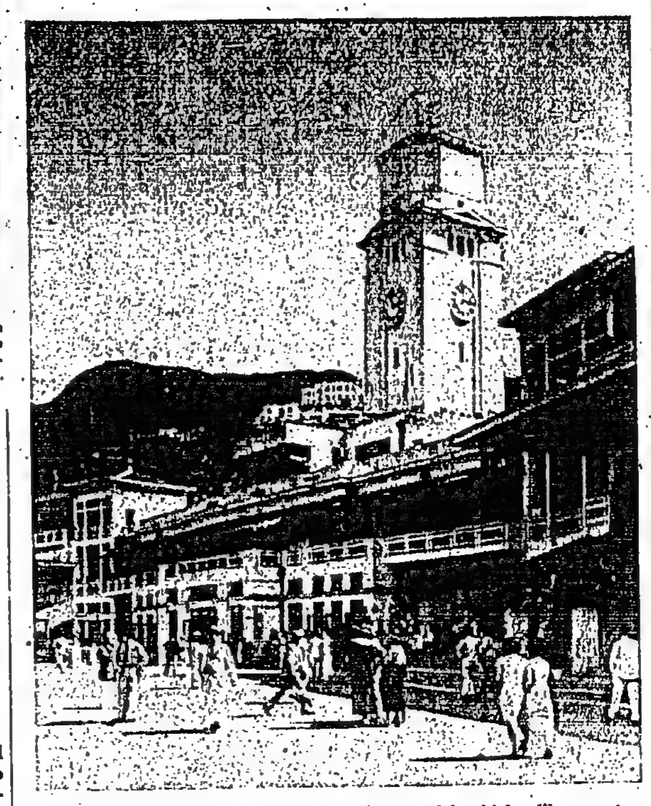
Lady Southorn's Halcyon is in fine fettle and so is Snowy River. Both these two ponies put up a very good gallop last week and they finished gamely. Saucy Face is in good condition.

Vixen Tor, after her last outing when she ran second to Able Amazon in the Queensland Autumn Champions, should start a hot favourite for this event, but it must be borne in mind that this lady will not have the service of Mr. Ralph, who will not be seen in action owing to his nasty fall at Fanling over the sticks. It will be recalled that all her three wins and a second after the recess last year were piloted by Mr. Ralph and the combination was hard to beat.

NEW STABLES STAKES

The last race of the day, the New Stables Plate, over a course from the two mile post, once round and in, will be a "dead cert" for Liberty Bay and should be followed by King's Justice and Bright View.

FOCUS-POINT OF HONGKONG'S LEADING RACE-GOERS



The enclosure at the Hongkong Jockey Club which will present an animated scene similar to the above photograph when the annual meeting opens to-morow. (Photo: by Kobza).

TO-DAY'S TRAINING TIMES

SOME VERY GOOD GALLOPS THIS MORNING

The following are the training times returned by race ponies at Happy Valley this morning on the the eve of the Annual Meeting.

	Distance	1st Qr.	2nd Qr.	3rd Qr.	Last	
Honey	¼	25.1			25.1	A
Laughing Girl	¼	28.4			28.4	G
Laughing Buddha	¼	31			31	G
Humber	¼	32.4			32.4	S
Saucy Face	½	27.4	55.2		27.3	A
Snowy River	½	26.2	53.4		27.2	A
Royal Consort	¼	28.4			28.4	G
Kings Jubilee	¼	28.4			28.4	O
Strathroy	½	27.2	54		26.3	A
Trotan	¼	27			27	A
Hetman	½	29.2	58.3		29.1	O
Supercharge	½	33.3	1.12		33.2	S
Mountain View	¼	29.2			29.2	S
Victoria Hall	½	33	1.02.1		29.1	S
Gold Sovereign	½	33	1.02.1		29.1	S
Tyne	½	30	59.2		29.2	G
Boolat Bay	½	30	59.2		29.2	G
Great Hall	¼	29.2			29.2	G
King's Sceptre	½	29	57.3		28.3	G
King's Warden	½	29	57.3		28.3	O
Lucky Strike	¼	30.2			30.2	O
Cavalcade	¼	30.2			30.2	O
Strathalan	½	32.4	1.05		32.1	S
Vixen Tor	½	36	1.00.4		24.4	A
Royal Scot	¾	32.2	1.02.1	1.31.2	29.1	G
Royal Highness	½	29.4	1.00.2		30.3	G
The Dunlin	½	28.1	55.2		27.1	A
Shek-O Fox	½		58.1		30	A
Sg'dier of Britain	¼	27			27	O
The Tiger	¼	29.4			29.4	O
Gold Coin	½	32.3	1.04.2		31.4	O
King's Lead	½	32	1.01.1		29.1	G
King's Bounty	½	32	1.01.1		29.1	O
Harvest View	½	28.3	59.3		31	O
Splendid View	½	28.3	59.3		31	O
Silversmith	¼	29.2			29.2	G
Mersey	¼	29.2			29.2	O
Rose Queen	½	33.3	1.04.4		31.1	O
Electron	½	25.3	53.2		26.4	A
Heriot	½	31	1.02.2		31.2	S
Philanderer	½	34	1.03.4		29.4	O
Estray	½	30.3	1.01.3		31	G
Night Star	½	29.4	59.2		29.3	A
Merry Jester	½	33.1	1.04.1		31	S
Shamrock	½	33.1	1.04.1		31	S
Lancashire Lad	½	28.3	54.4		26.1	A
Racing Boy	¼	30			30	O
Soldier of Victory	¼	30			30	O
Old Star	½	34.1	1.04.1		30	G
Dawn Star	½	34.1	1.04.1		30	G
Tinsmith	¼	27.1			27.1	A
Double Chance	½	34	1.05		31	O
Satan	¼	32.1			32.1	S
Ballos	½	34.2	1.05.2		31	S
Hawthorn	½	34.2	1.07.2		31	S
Young Ghap	¼	29.1			29	O
Honeymoon Eve	½	35	1.03.3		28.3	G
Macaroni	½	35	1.03.3		28.3	O
Peter Davy	½	32	1.03.2		31.2	S
Foxbridge	½	32	1.03.2		31.2	O
Gold Eagle	½	33	1.04.2		31.2	S
Partnership	½	33	1.04.2		31.2	O
Belmont Star	¼	30.4			30.4	O
Valleys View	¼	31			31	O
Donovan	½	33	1.03.1		30.1	G
The Gorilla	½	29.4	59		29.1	S
Stopwatch	½	34	1.05		31	S
Amberley	½	33	1.04.1		31.1	G
Pontiac Bay	½	31.2	1.01		29.3	O
Mistake Bay	½	31.2	1.01		29.3	O
Cassius	½	31.2	1.01		29.4	S
Benorth	½	31.2	1.01		29.4	G
Wildcat	½	31.2	1.01		29.3	S
Shooting Star	½	28.3	56.4		28.1	A
Canberra Girl	½	1.01	1.02		31	A

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Mr. Gilbert Harriman, another leading Hongkong jockey, expected to bring home several winners at the annual meeting. (Photo Kobza).

These Points Are Worth Noting

(By "Captain Foster")

THE Annual Race Meeting under the auspices of the Hongkong Jockey Club will be staged to-morrow, when at 11.00 a.m., the first saddling bell will be rung, and this indicates the opening of our 1936 racing season. After a lapse of over two months, the "Sport of Kings" will be resumed at the Valley and the Carnival will be continued on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and will continue on next Saturday.

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THE Hongkong Jockey Club will start the ball rolling this evening at the Club House, Happy Valley, when two Selling Lotteries will be conducted on the Valley Stakes and the Hongkong Derby, and the cost of a chance is $5. It is open to members and their friends and all non-members must be introduced by a member and their names entered in the Visitors' Book. The drawing starts at 6.00 p.m.

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THE price of admission to the Public Enclosure is $2 per day including Tax for all persons including Ladies, and Soldiers and Sailors in uniform are admitted at half price. No children are permitted in either Enclosure during the first four days racing on any pretext, but will be admitted on the last day February 29, in the company of their parents.

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THE Tiffin interval during the first four days racing will be immediately after the fifth event, and the first saddling bell after lunch will be rung at 2.30 p.m. For the convenience of the Public, a Restaurant and a Bar are located at the South-East end of the Grand Stand.

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THE Judge's Box has been lowered, in line with the Race Course, and surely, the two Gentlemen inside the stall will not have such a good view of the races as they had before. There is as usual a lovely display of all sorts of beautiful flowers on the Lawns and the arrangement, especially in front of the Weighing Room, deserves great credit.

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A feature of the first day's Meeting is the order of the running of the Wong-Nei-Chong Stakes over half-a-mile for Sub-Griffins, which from time immemorial had been the opening event, whereas to-morrow, the Foochow Cup over 1½ Miles will be the curtain raiser.

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THE sale of one Dollar Special Cash Sweep conducted by the Hongkong Jockey Club on the Hongkong Derby to be run on Monday has exceeded over 135,000 tickets and I figure that it will reach 150,000 mark.

Corinthians Defer League Decision

(By "Pangloss")

London, Jan. 28.

Will the Corinthian Football Club make the plunge and seek admission to the southern section of the Football League? For the present no definite answer can be given to this all absorbing question.

It is important, however, to state that a meeting of the Corinthian club committee was held last evening at the Sports Club, St. James's Square, London, and that the whole matter was fully discussed.

In reply to inquiries I learned from an official source that the decision had been deferred indefinitely. Last evening was the first occasion upon which the committee as such had discussed the proposal.

JAPANESE ARE GOOD RUGBY PLAYERS

SAYS N. Z. TEAM MANAGER

UNIVERSITIES XV BACK IN H.K.

Warm tribute was paid to the Japanese and their rugby by Mr. P. Martin Smith, manager of the New Zealand Universities rugby team, upon returning to Hongkong this morning. The Japanese, he said, played a bright game, concentrating on clever and snappy passing and were very quick indeed to learn from criticism and advice.

Mr. Smith brought back his victorious team on the N.Y.K. Kitano Maru, and this afternoon they will meet a selected Colony XV.

The New Zealanders have been severely afflicted by injuries and illness, which have persisted since they reached Japan until to-day, one of the players arriving here with a temperature of 100. But it is expected he will be fit to play.

NO INDIVIDUAL INITIATIVE

In an interview with a *Telegraph* correspondent, Mr. Martin Smith said the Japanese play quite a good game of rugby, being very bright in all their movements. Their passing is particularly good, and it seems they specialise in this.

They train most assiduously, but they play entirely as a team and without any individual initiative. They rely on passing until a man is right on the goal line.

"I consider that this explains the reason for the New Zealanders' success" added Mr. Smith.

The New Zealanders' extra weight, he continued, did not count for much, as the Japanese got the ball out of the scrum more than the New Zealanders. Their weight did not count in the pack because the Japanese packed much lower than they.

"The standard of play is going up very rapidly in Japan. They are quick to learn, and they often came to me for criticism and advice. I noticed in the last match they had picked up a lot of things from the previous games."

DUBIOUS ABOUT TO-DAY

The New Zealand team said Mr. Smith had had a pretty bad time with injuries and illness, and rarely had he been able to field the best team. They were still suffering from the effects and, he added,

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BADMINTON

GETTING UP TO DATE

FIRE BRIGADE'S 14TH MATCH

BEAT S. & S.

Several teams have made such good progress with their league badminton fixtures during the past week that they are now completely up to date and should have no difficulty in completing their schedules within the appointed time.

Among them is the Fire Brigade, who last night played their fourteenth men's doubles game, beating the Sailors and Soldiers Home by eight games to one.

Though the Brigade won by such a wide margin of games, several encounters were keenly contested, two of them being "setted".

Incidentally this was the twelth match of the S. and S. Home, who have still to record a win. Detailed scores and amended league table follow.

J. L. Anderson and G. Williams (Fire Brigade) beat J. Hall and M. Merritt 23-22; beat H. Harris and J. Heath 21-16; beat R. Brown and W. Sprague 21-18.

A. L. Fisher and G. H. Fowler (Fire Brigade) beat Hall and Merritt 21-7; beat Harris and Heath 21-14; beat Brown and Sprague 21-16.

W. Stoker and L. D. Skinner (Fire Brigade) beat Hall and Merritt 21-17; lost to Harris and Heath 11-21; beat Brown and Sprague 23-20.

LEAGUE TABLE

	P.	W.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
C.R.C.	13	11	2	90	27	22
Recreio "A"	9	9	0	70	11	18
St. Andrew's "A"	12	9	3	71	36	18
Recreio "B"	10	8	2	62	28	16
Eliot Hall "B"	13	8	5	65	43	16
Eliot Hall "A"	8	8	0	59	4	16
St. John's	15	8	7	69	66	16
Fire Brigade	14	7	7	54	69	14
V.R.C.	13	4	9	39	78	8
Taikoo R.C.	7	2	5	19	35	4
St. Andrew's "B"	13	2	11	30	78	4
Kowloon Tong	13	1	12	34	83	2
S. and S. Home	12	0	12	21	28	0

Varsity's Task Against Cricket Club

SPORT ADVTS.

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Members are reminded that they and their ladies MUST wear their badges prominently displayed throughout the Meeting.

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The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is $2.00 per day including tax for all persons including ladies and is payable at the Gate.

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Passes for Servants will be issued on application to the Secretary, 1st floor, Exchange Building.

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By Order,

C. D. BROWN,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 17th February, 1936.

HONGKONG CRICKET CLUB TENNIS TOURNAMENT.

The closing date for entries for the above has been extended to Thursday, 27th February, 1936, and the Tournament will open on Monday, 9th March, 1936.

A. K. MACKENZIE,
Hon. Secretary.

FLOOR CRAFT

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TO WITHSTAND GROWDER ON GRASS PITCH

How Army Beat The Kowloon C. C.

(By R. Abbit)

I am afraid that these notes will be somewhat lacking in fullness—and that there will be no article on Tuesday but these Doctormen are difficult to argue with and with a bit of luck I hope to resume my notes this day week. The programme to-morrow will no doubt be a bit clouded by the first day of the race meeting and so it will not matter so much.

As things stand the K.C.C. and I.R.C. are resting according to the cards. The Army are at home to the Navy at Sookunpoo. At the moment of writing Branwell is away but I am not sure if he will be back for this game. He is, of course, the big "unknown quantity" in the Navy side. Garthwaite should be back for the Army and I understand that the strain that kept Elvin out of the side last week is better, though I have no sure information on that point. I rather fancy the Army for a win, but no League points are involved, according to the card.

The two League matches are between the Club and Varsity and Craigengower and the Civil Service—the first named sides being at home in each case. As regards the first, I think the Club are very likely to beat the University. The latter side have some very fair bats on their own ground and—as always—Gosano. As to whether the others will be able to play Growder on a grass wicket—for this is a big handicap to them of course—I do not know. Nor of course do I know how strong a side the Club are putting up.

To my mind the most interesting feature will be the doings of Gosano, and if he can come anyway near his recent performances, I most sincerely hope it will be possible to give him a place in our Interport side at Shanghai this year.

Away matches have helped many a young cricketer—as noticeably Teddy Fincher in our last visit to the F.M.S. where he was "blooded" to the Interport games, if I may use the phrase. I feel Gosano has everything but the confidence which an appearance in a big game gives. I know that I am not alone in this opinion.

As regards the other game Craigengower are bad to beat on their own ground. But my experience of last Saturday tells me that the Civil Service are a completely different side from that of previous seasons though the personnel has not largely changed. The fielding alone tells a story though there are still one or two fielders who crash the ball in at the wicket when there is palpably no chance of a run out. Apart from the question of overthrows, it is bad for the bowlers' hands,—and morale! I will go so far as to say that if they can make a good start with their batting they will not be beaten anyway. Incidentally I am interested to find that a point that I have stressed for years about League Cricket has become the regular practice and that is, if you want to win the game, put the other fellow in.

THE JUNIOR DIVISION

As regards the teams in the Junior Division two at least are resting—the H.K.C.C. and Navy second eleven. I have no information as regards the R.A.M.C. and the Sappers.

And that reminds me that I must acknowledge with thanks the receipt of a card from the R.A.S.C. Hon. Secretary.

Kowloon are at home to this last team and I think should win. The Recreio, also at home, should prove too good for the University second, while even though the Civil Service are on their own ground they will have to improve a lot to beat Craigengower.

The most important game as regards the Shield is the one between the Indians at home and the Police. If the latter side can pull off a win they become serious challengers for the Shield, while if I.R.C. win they are sitting pretty for the probable honours. I think the game will probably be decided by the ground, and I suspect the Police may not, owing to the Races, be able to field their full team as they have rather a lot of extra duty.

LAST SATURDAY'S CRICKET

From one cause or another I regret I cannot implement my article of last Tuesday as much as I had hoped. My readers however may be interested in the following account of the Army—K.C.C. non-League game by a player who will I hope accept my thanks here printed. I have had no time to write.

The Army won the toss and went in to score 228 runs for eight wickets in 115 minutes—the game starting at 2.15 p.m. Persse and Pritchard went in first but the latter hit over a yorker from R. Lee and was bowled. The same bowler sent down a beautiful ball to take Persse's wicket but not until he had collected a very pretty 30.

Then came Garthwaite's excellent 94, over which he took longer than usual, but as a knock it had no blemish. Dawson never settled down and the first time he had a go he was brilliantly caught and bowled by Hung off a tremendously hard hit.

Walch had his usual luck this year as he was out to a very hard catch taken one-handed by R. Lee who actually by his quickness made the chance look easier than it was although it was right out on the boundary. Then Ballard, who is a much better bat than a lot of people realise, took a useful 27 and the innings was declared closed at 228 for 8, a score made by forcing cricket rather than by sheer slogging.

The tea interval lasted twenty minutes due I gather to some imbroglio with Rugger experts who were also using the Pavilion! Having seen them off, K.C.C. went in at 4.30 p.m. with 105 minutes to bat. "Elvin was absent owing to a strained muscle and Walch opened with Ballard and Pritchard." (N.B. This is what Artemas Ward called 'a goak', and refers to my last week's advice that the Army should open with Ballard and Elvin if Garthwaite was not available. It all comes out in the wa(l)sh you see!)

Teddy Fincher had for him, rather a lucky innings for 20 before Ballard got one past him. Arthur Lay continued to play a good and typical innings, (Arthur will please note that this is a quotation!) but no one could stay with him for any length of time. Ernie Fincher by the way was not playing.

Ballard bowled very steadily though Pritchard's spinners looked more wicket-taking. Then Persse and King came on with about 70 odd on the board, and the latter bowled Lay for an excellent innings of 76, while Persse picked up a couple of quick wickets. Later the original bowlers came back and Walch took a fine one handed catch at long leg off Ballard and Pritchard took the last wicket just fifteen minutes before time. An excellent match.

Well! That's that! and I hope to put in my next article on Friday next even if I do win the Sweep on the "Derby Horse Race." Meantime I am sorry these notes will appear too late to invite my readers to split a small Evipan with me to-day.

Adeit. Omen.

Our Daily Golf Hint

The non-success of many golfers can be traced to the fact that they try to play against the better judgment of their instincts. It is fatal.
—Josh Taylor.

Sheffield United Top The Table

HOME FOOTBALL RESULTS

London, Feb. 20.

Leicester sustained an unexpected reverse in their efforts to gain promotion to-day, when, playing before their own supporters, they were beaten by the lowly placed Bury by the odd goal in three. If Leicester had won they would have shared third place in the second division league table with Charlton.

Sheffield United went to the head of the table as a result of beating Blackpool by the only goal, but West Ham, who are a point behind, have one match in hand.

Results as cabled by *Reuter*, and the amended records of the leading teams in the league table are appended.

SECOND DIVISION

Leicester	1	Bury	2
Sheffield U.	1	Blackpool	0
Hull	2	Bradford C.	5

LEAGUE TABLE

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
West Ham ..	29	16	6	7	64	44	38
Sheffield U. .	30	17	5	8	62	36	39
Charlton	28	14	8	6	50	33	36
Tottenham ..	28	14	6	8	64	39	34
Leicester	29	15	4	10	55	38	34
Manchester U.	27	14	5	8	54	28	33
Blackpool ...	29	12	6	11	59	49	30
Plymouth	28	12	6	10	45	38	30
Doncaster ...	29	13	4	12	36	50	30

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INTERPORT HOCKEY TRIAL

TO BE PLAYED ON MONDAY

TEAMS CHOSEN

In connection with the forthcoming hockey Interport match with Macao, a trial game has been arranged for Monday, February 24, at 5 p.m. when the players named below are asked to turn out to play.

PROBABLES

A. B. Owens (Navy) and H. B. Souza (Radio): A. E. P. Guest (Radio) and Khan Bahadur (Army); L. Oliveira (Argonautas), W. A. Reed (Club) and Alaf Din (Army); Lieut. E. Robinson (Army), Sarnagat Singh (Radio), Awtar Singh (K.I.T.C.), D. Carey (Club) and Pte. Nolan (Army).

POSSIBLES

Sapper Howlet (Army) and Lt-Comdr. Garwood (Navy); Lt-Comdr. Broome (Navy) and Kishen Singh (Army); Lieut. J. P. Williams (Army), Sapper Brown (Army), and Lieut. Davies (Navy); G. E. R. Divett (Club), Lieut. C. Garthwaite (Army), Gurbachan Singh (Radio), Lieut. Burch (Navy) and Lal Singh (Army).

The Probables will play in white and the Possibles in colours.

The following have been chosen as reserves:—J. E. Potter (Club) and Cox (Army), backs; Lieut. Spencer (Navy) and A. Silva (Recreio) half backs; Lieut. Dawson (Army), lieut. Wraith (Navy), J. Pinto (K.I.T.C.) and S. A. Fowler (Club).

A practice match "Colony v. Rest" will be arranged for 10.30 a.m. on Sunday March 1, on the R.N.R.C. ground, King's Park.

RACING DRAW

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Blandford, Centre Court, Electron, Gold Dragon, Holiday Eve, Honey, Merry Time, Silver Streak, Tinsmith, Violet Queen and Zodiac.

Second Time.—A Grand Time, Canberra Girl, Double Finesse, Lancashire Lad, Perfect Day, Ranger, Sarie, Shek-O Fox, Strathroy, The Dunlin, Trojan and Yo Ho.

To-day's Training Times

(Continued from Page 8.)

Holiday Eve	½	27.2	54.1	26.4	A
Centre Court	½	27.4	55.1	27.2	A
The Hero	½	30	59.4	29.4	S
17th Of Sept.	½	30	59.4	29.4	O
High Honour	½	30	59.4	29.4	O
Plain View	½	33	1.06.3	33.3	O
Hopscotch	½	34.1	1.05.4	31.3	S
Valorous	¼	28.4		28.4	O
Ranger	½	33	1.00.1	27.1	A
Double Finesse	½	27.2	54.2	27	A
Blandford	½	27.2	54.2	27	A
Liberty Bay	½	31.1	1.01	29.4	O
Herod	½	31.2	1.00	29	O
Gladiator	½	31.2	1.00.2	29	O
Yellow Fish	¼	32.2		32.2	S
Siamese Cat	¼	32.2		32.2	S
Glorious View	¼	30.3		30.3	G
May Flower	¼	30.3		30.3	G
Paymaster	½	32.2	1.04	31.3	S
Lancashire Loom	½	32.2	1.04	31.3	S
New Star	½	31.4	1.04	32.1	O
Tiny Star	½	31.4	1.04	32	G
Yo Ho	½	30.1	56.3	26.2	A
Ocean View	¾	30.1		30.1	S
Copper Idol	¼	30.1		30.1	O
Rose Evelyn	½	32	1.02.1	30.1	S
Rousseau	½	32	1.02.1	30.1	O

TOO MANY CLUBS SPOIL GOLF

View Of United States Association

New York, Jan. 24.

The United States Golf Association thinks that American tournament players carry too many clubs and take too long over their shots. It has, therefore, issued a notice to the effect that unless they lighten their bags, the Association may restrict the number of clubs a competitor may carry; and golfers who are excessively deliberate in their play to the point of slowing up a match, may be disqualified.

Mr. John Jackson, President of the U.S. Golf Association, says in his annual report that for some time the Association has noted with concern the increasing number of clubs carried by tournament players. In the committee's opinion they minimised skill, made the game mechanical, increased the cost, and placed an unreasonably heavy burden on the caddie.

JAPANESE ARE GOOD RUGBY PLAYERS

(Continued from Page 8.)

"We have got to play seven forwards and eight backs to-day, which makes me a bit doubtful about the game."

The crowds in Japan were big he said, though not so big at the last match as they expected. It numbered about 30,000. They found the Japanese referees remaining so faithful to the book of rules that often they were pulled up for technicalities which they did not at the time appreciate.

But the visit was in every way a big success. They felt satisfied with the performances given and were gratified with the results.

A motor trip round the Island was planned this morning for the visitors and at 5 o'clock this afternoon they will play Hongkong on the Club ground.

PHILLIPINES TENNIS

Manila, Feb. 20.

Leonardo Gavia defeated V. T. Wong in the semi-finals of the open singles tennis championship by 6-4, 6-2, 1-6, 6-4.—*United Press.*

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In receiving a pass, the end must spread his fingers without tensing them or the wrist. The ball should be caught like a baseball—with the hands, only.

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Next: HOW TO PLAY QUARTERBACK

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E/Japan	Mar. 6	Mar. 8		Mar. 11	Mar. 13	Mar. 19	Mar. 24
E/Asia	Mar. 20	Mar. 22	Mar. 24	Mar. 26	Mar. 28		April 6
E/Britain	Mar. 25	Mar. 28		April 11	April 15	April 24	San F'cisco April 22
E/Canada	April 3	April 5		April 8	April 10	April 17	
E/Russia	April 17	April 19	April 21	April 23	April 25		May 4
E/Japan	May 1	May 3		May 6	May 8	May 14	May 19
E/Asia	May 15	May 17	May 19	May 21	May 23		June 1
E/Canada	May 29	May 31		June 3	June 5	June 12	June 17
E/Russia	June 12	June 14	June 16	June 18	June 20		June 29
E/Japan	June 26	June 28		July 1	July 3	July 9	July 14
E/Asia	July 10	July 12	July 14	July 16	July 18		July 27
E/Canada	July 24	July 26		July 29	July 31	Aug. 7	Aug. 12
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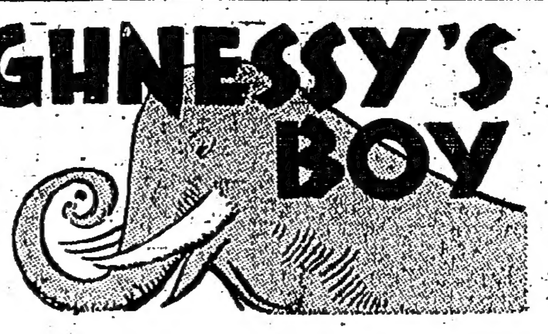

(SYNOPSIS: Windy O'Shaughnessy, world-famous animal trainer, had lost his right arm during a dangerous stunt, when Cora his wife, had deserted him, taking away his adored four-year-old son, Stubby. He finds him after eight years' search, only to discover that the boy hates him. So, though Hastings has taken Windy back in the circus, he finds he is a coward again. He cannot face the animals. Now, his latest gift to Stubby is a silver frame for the dead Cora's picture. Stubby has just called down to Windy from his upper berth on the train.)

WINDY FINDS HIS "RIGHT ARM"

Chapter X

Windy sat up as though he had been shot. For a moment he thought he had been dreaming. Then finally he found his tongue. "Why . . . why no, Stubby, I'm not asleep."

"I . . . I wanted to thank you for . . ." Stubby began awkwardly. He hesitated, then clambered quickly out of his berth and dropped down into Windy's. "I want to thank you for the frame. It's beautiful."

"Oh, that's all right," Windy said in a tremulous whisper. "I was afraid the picture might get torn." They both stared at it where it rested on Stubby's knees. "Pretty, wasn't she?" Windy shook his head slowly. "I was crazy about her from the minute I set eyes on her. That was took right after we got married."

His eyes half closed in remembrance. "She was wearin' some kind of soft white stuff. Made her look if you touched her she'd blow away. She was so pale and delicate-like and . . . beautiful." He traced a moody pattern on the bedcover. "Yes sir, Stubby . . . that picture of her, I got framed in my mind, so it'll never . . .

"How . . . how did you come to lose your arm?" Stubby interrupted softly.

Windy was startled, then he shrugged. "Well, I had hadda couple of drinks in me when I went into that cage. And you know the only time animals is dangerous is when you're scared or got somethin' on your mind. They sorta' sense it. I guess that cat knew I was worried."

"About me being . . . about us being gone?"

Windy's hand shook a little as he rubbed his chin. "Well . . . yeah."

Stubby shivered. "I'm getting cold."

There was a tiny resigned sigh from Windy. It was over. "Yeah. Want me to boost you up?"

And then the surprising, the miraculous thing happened. Stubby plucked at his sleeve. "Would I . . . would I crowd you too much if I stayed here?"

For Windy, Heaven's door was slowly swinging open. "No." He could have burst into loud hallelujahs. Quickly, he threw back the covers and the boy climbed in, cuddling up to Windy, close to his shoulder.

Windy scarcely dared breathe. Ecstasy held him taut. "Goodnight, Stubby."

"Good night . . . Pop."

Simultaneously, they turned to each other. Then Stubby was burrowing into his father's chest, one arm about his large waist, and the tears began to flow like a running stream, relieving long pent-up feelings. A lonely boy had come back to his father.

"Stub . . . Stubby." Windy crushed him close, his own tears mingling with the boy's. A beatific smile broke over his face at this fulfilment of all his aching hopes. It was his 'right arm' that he had found again.

But after many minutes the beat of the train's engine began to take on new significance. "Evanston" was the name that flashed into Windy's mind. Fright crossed his face for Evanston was but a few days away. A picture of Martha rose before him.

A fixed resolve began to form itself. Rising carefully, so that he would not disturb the sleeping child he let himself out of the berth.

"It's Windy, Dan," he was saying a little later to Hastings' closed door. "It's mightily important, Dan. I wish you'd let me talk to you."

"All right. Come in. Sit down. What's on your mind?"

Windy struggled for words. "Well it's just like you said when I first came back Dan. I gotta' get back in the money. I'm going to do the Fire Trick."

"The Fire Trick! Are you crazy?"

"But you don't understand, Dan. I got my *kid* back and I gotta' keep him." He talked on in a loud voice as much to steady himself as to convince Hastings. "Let me try to get it ready for Evanston will you? You see I never had him before. He was only staying with me 'cause he had to . . . waitin' for time to leave, but now he *wants* me." In his joy he momentarily forgot his fear. "Don't you see? I gotta' do it before we get to Evanston or they'll take him away from me."

"Be reasonable, Windy. Do you know when we hit Evanston?"

"That's just it, Dan. There ain't no time to lose."

"But you can't get *that* act ready in that short time."

The gigantic proportions of his task unrolled before Windy. He gritted his teeth. "I'll put on that Fire Trick in Evanston."

"I know you want to, Windy, but you're talking nonsense." Hastings jumped into bed as if he were ending the subject then and there. "Well, there's nothing we can do about it now. Let's wait until morning to talk it over."

Windy reached unsteadily for a whip that was lying on the chair. He would not, could not, spend the night arguing with old doubts and fears. "No, Dan, that's the trouble. I been waitin' too long. . ."

A few minutes afterwards Hastings rushed up to Stubby's berth. "Did your Dad come back here?"

"No, I just woke up. Isn't he here? Is . . . is anything wrong?"

"No." Hastings started away, then turned back. "Maybe you'd better come with me. You can do more with him than I can. . . .

The interior of the animal car was just barely illuminated by a single centre globe. The light threw into relief the weird criss-cross shadows of the bars.

As Windy entered the car there were a few drowsy growls from the animals, resting only fitfully because of the swaying rattle of the train and the noises of the storm.

Windy faced the large tiger in the rear cage, shuddering resolution on his face. Then he paled. The tiger, hearing him fumble for the screen, had snarled at him venomously, reaching forth with menacing claws.

"Windy!"

He froze as Hastings rushed up with Stubby.

The boy threw his arms around his father. "Pop, what're you going to do?"

Windy grasped him close. "I'm going in that cage . . . to show that tiger I ain't afraid any more."

"But Windy," Hastings protested, "what's it gonna' get you, goin' into that little cage to-night?"

"It's gonna' get me . . . inside the cage," was the tight-lipped reply.

Hastings yielded a little. "Well, then let me wake up some of the boys."

"That would take time," Windy objected expressionlessly. "I don't think it would do me good, waitin'."

He turned to smile down at Stubby. The boy's worried frown immediately gave way to an answering smile.

There were two steps leading to the cage door. Windy mounted them, gripping the whip tightly. He stood on the top step, striped eerily from head to foot with the reflected bars of the cage.

Beads of perspiration glittered on his face. Terror was beginning to engulf him again. His stiff fingers refused to shoot back the bolt. There came the deep warning growl of the tiger.

"Pop, pop, don't go in there," Stubby cried fearfully. "I'm scared, Pop," he whimpered.

Windy turned. "If both of us is scared, Stub, we're licked," he said levelly. "Now you get back there son. And when I go in there you grin. 'Cause when you grin I'll know you ain't scared . . . and if you ain't, how can I be?" Stubby breathed heavily. "Now lemme see that grin you're gonna' give me."

Stubby's face spread in a ghastly imitation of mirth.

Now Windy was sliding back the bolt. The door swung back and he was standing in the entrance of the cage.

(Windy is fighting desperately to regain his lost courage. Will he win the battle? Can Stubby's presence really help him? Don't miss tomorrow's hair-raising instalment.)

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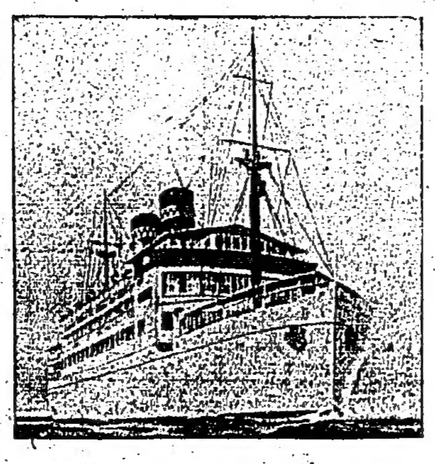

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Insults Drove Us to War, Says Morgan

German "insults and injuries," rather than loans to the Allies, forced the United States into the World War, Mr. John Pierpont Morgan, right, being sworn, told the Senate munitions committee, appearing before it as a witness in its investigation of the armament industry and wartime financing. With him, at left, is Mr. Thomas W. Lamont, partner, who wrathfully declared that the committee members were unfair in their grilling of the famed financier. Mr. Morgan declared that his firm always acted within the law, but that he and his aides always wanted the Allies to win.

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Miss Marie Nickels, left, and Miss Agnes Ward, San Francisco nurses, who assisted doctors in an appendix operation on Miss Ann Cooper Hewitt, (below) heiress to the Peter Cooper Hewitt fortune. According to the girl's $500,000 damage suit against her mother, at the same time another operation deprived her of the right of motherhood.

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President Hurls Challenge at New Deal Foes

Delivering his annual message to Congress, an address that immediately kindled nation-wide debate, President Roosevelt is shown here as he flung a direct challenge to his foes to meet the issue of accepting New deal standards or discarding them entirely. An audience that packed the House chamber and an invisible audience of millions heard the President's words. Behind the chief executive are shown Vice-President John N. Garner, left, and Speaker Joseph W. Byrns.

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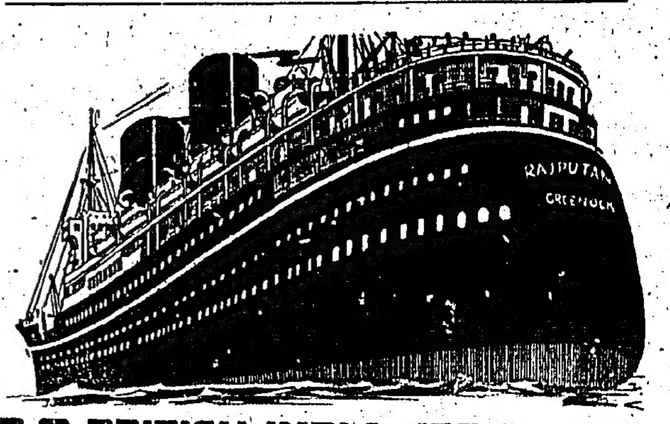

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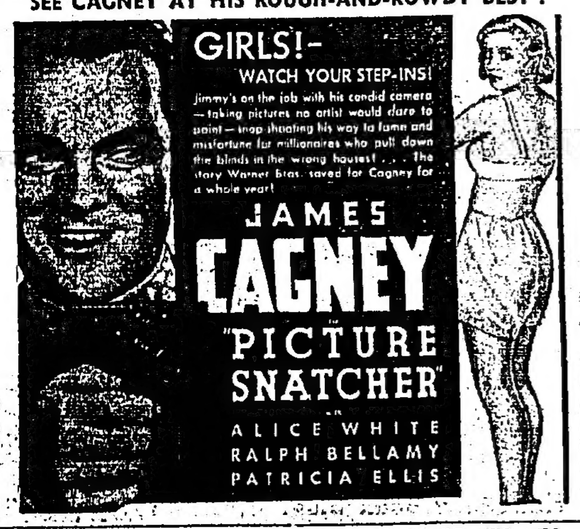

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More Trouble In Spain

RIOTOUS RADICALS SETTING FIRES

Madrid, Feb. 21.

Although the country appears to be settling down generally, the Leftists' jubilation at the result of the elections has led to excesses in a number of districts and martial law has been proclaimed in Murcia and Alicante, following the outbreak of violence there.

The headquarters of the Catholic Party and the offices of Catholic newspapers were sacked. A convent was set afire.

Twelve were wounded when police fired on a Socialist and Communist demonstration in Barcelona.—*Reuter.*

WELL-KNOWN COUPLE ENGAGED

Mr. Tony Liang And Miss Anna Tam

The engagement was announced this week between Mr. Tony P. K. Liang, son of Mr. and Mrs. Liang Yen-hing of Tientsin and Miss Anna Tam, daughter of Mrs. Tam of 324, Pokfulam Road.

Mr. Liang is the brother-in-law of Mr. Gordon Lum, the well-known Davis Cup player.

A dinner party was given by Mr. and Mrs. W. H. N. Tam at 324 Pokfulam Road on Wednesday evening to celebrate the occasion, among those present to congratulate the young couple being Sir Robert and Lady Ho Tung, Dr. and Mrs. H. I. Tsang, Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Lo, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. N. Tam, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Lum, Mr. W. C. Tang, Dr. and Mrs. Ernest To, Miss May Ung, Mr. and Mrs. Suffiad, Dr. and Mrs. T. C. Wong, Dr. and Mrs. C. H. Wan, and Miss Eva Tam.

Mr. Tony Liang is a student at Hongkong University, and his fiancee was a former pupil at St. Stephen's Girls' College.

SHIP'S OFFICER'S DEATH

FUNERAL THIS AFTERNOON

A tragically short career in the Far East was cut short by death when, at the War Memorial Hospital this morning, Mr. William Parry Lynn Hughes succumbed to a six weeks' illness brought on by heart disease.

Deceased, who was only 29 years of age, was Second Officer of the China Navigation Company steamer Chekiang.

A native of Cardiff, he served his apprenticeship with Smiths of Cardiff with whom he remained as Third and Second Officer until coming out to Hongkong in August, 1935. He joined the Chekiang on the Tientsin run and, apart from a few brief intervals, was attached to the ship until January 5 when he was admitted to hospital.

The late Mr. Hughes was unmarried but his mother and a brother survive him. They live in Cardiff.

The funeral passes the Monument at 4.30 this afternoon.

EYSTON WILL TRY AGAIN

SEEKING ANOTHER MOTOR RECORD

London, Feb. 20.

Captain G. E. T. Eyston, the well-known racing motorist, who holds several world records, hopes to create a new record for cars with heavy oil engines in the attempt he is preparing to make on Pendene Sands, Carmarthenshire, at the beginning of next week.

The twelve cylinder engine of his car, the "Flying Spray," is said to embody a number of new features, and its performance is expected to give valuable information bearing on the development of aero engines using non-inflammable oil. Captain Eyston is out to beat the official record of a hundred miles hour and the unofficial record held by the American driver, Cummings.—*British Wireless.*

GERMAN DEBT AGREEMENT

PROLONGED ANOTHER TWELVE-MONTH

(Special To "Telegraph")

Berlin, Feb. 20.

The standstill agreement with respect to Germany's short-term debts, expiring February 29, will be prolonged for another year.

The debts dropped during the past year from £140,000,000 to £108,000,000.

Italy does not participate in the new agreement, as her small credits have been paid.—*Reuter Special.*

The Japanese gunboat Saga arrives in harbour to-day from Canton and the cruiser Yubari is expected to-morrow from the North for a brief stay. The U.S.S. Ashville leaves to-day.

COSTLY LEAGUE SANCTIONS

FRANCE SUFFERS LOSS OF TRADE

(Special To "Telegraph")

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Paris, Feb. 20.

There has been a substantial contraction of French trade with Italy as a result of the application of the League of Nations' sanctions.

This fact was indicated in the January returns, which show that imports from Italy total only 4,000,000 francs as compared with 35,000,000 francs in January of 1935.

Exports are now 18,500,000 for January instead of 47,000,000 as they were formerly.

British Empire trade figures, it will be recalled, have dwindled almost to vanishing point where Italy is concerned. Great Britain especially has suffered through the loss of the Italian market.—*Reuter Special.*

AMNESTY PROMISED FOR 30,000

Spanish Premier Will Free Prisoners

Madrid, Feb. 20.

Great enthusiasm has been aroused throughout Spain by the fact that the new Prime Minister, Senor Azana, has promised an amnesty for 30,000 political prisoners or exiles concerned in the abortive revolt of 1934.

The Prime Minister announced that this would be the first task of Parliament when it opens on March 16.

—*Reuter's Bulletin Service.*

WANG CHING-WEI IN HONGKONG

FUTURE PLANS NOT DEFINITE

No press representative was allowed to speak to Mr. Wang Ching-wei on his arrival in Hongkong from Shanghai this morning by the N.D.L. liner Gneisenau.

Mr. Tseng Shung-ming, former Vice-Minister of Railways, however, stated that Mr. Wang was still in indifferent health and suffering from liver trouble. The future plans of the Minister of Foreign Affairs, President of the Executive Yuan and Vice-Premier, are not at all definite as yet, stated Mr. Tseng. He was going to Germany accompanied by his German medical adviser, Dr. Kurt Noll, and when he would return or where he would proceed after arriving in Germany had not been decided. The purpose of the present trip abroad, said Mr. Tseng, was purely for recuperation.

On arrival here Mr. Wang was met by Madame Wu Mao-lan, daughter of Mr. Hu Han-min, General Chang Yam-min, Chief of Staff of the Fourth Route Army, and Mr. Li Man-fu, representative of the South-West Political Council. These friends were closeted with Mr. Wang for some time immediately the ship had berthed, but Mr. Wang did not leave his cabin.

Accompanying Mr. Wang on the Gneisenau are Dr. Kurt Noll, Mr. Tseng Shung-ming, and Mr. Chen Yu-sho, Chief of the Finance Department of the Railways.

THREE THIEVES SENTENCED

STOLE CLOTHES AND DOCUMENTS

Lee Tsun-shing, 30, Lee Chan-shing, 22, and Chan Tazo, 35, all unemployed, appeared before Mr. Macfadyen at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, charged with the theft of 12 pieces of clothing, a box and a bundle of documents. First accused, who admitted a previous conviction, pleaded guilty to the theft of the clothing and was sentenced to four months' hard labour. The other two men were each sentenced to three months' hard labour.

Detective-Inspector A. H. Elston stated that on the night of January 22 about 9 p.m. the defendants and another man entered the hut of complainant, Pun Wing, at Cheungshawan and stole the clothing mentioned in the charge. The box, which contained documents relating to land in the country and property in Hongkong, was later found to be missing.

The police, added Inspector Elston, thought it unusual for four men to set out just to steal 12 pieces of clothing. It was fortunate that complainant and his wife were awakened.

GOLD COMING BACK

Paris, Feb. 20.

An increase in the Bank of France's gold reserve of 100,000,000 francs and decreases in note circulation of 550,000,000 francs, are features of the Bank's balance sheet for the week ended February 14, showing the gold cover has increased from 70.83 to 71.12.—*Reuter.*

Pepper Case Nears End

ALLEGED DEAL TO "CORNER" PEPPER

(Special To "Telegraph")

London, Feb. 21.

If Garabed Bishirgian, charged in connection with the collapse of the brokerage firm of James and Shakespeare and the issue of an allegedly fraudulent prospectus, is found innocent at the trial at present proceeding at the Old Bailey, the two other defendants in the case, John Howeson and Louis Hardy, cannot be convicted.

They are charged with aiding and abetting.

The Attorney-General agreed that this is the fact when counsel for the defence concluded his address to the jury to-day and the presiding judge questioned the Crown on the point.

The Attorney-General, in reply, suggested the defendants were really out to corner the pepper market, and all of them knew about it.

The judge will sum up to-morrow when it is expected the case will end.—*Reuter Special.*

INDIAN FIRM DISPUTE

JUDGE RESERVES DECISION

Judgment was reserved by Mr. Justice R. E. Lindsell at the Supreme Court this morning in the petition for the winding up of the firm of O. K. Gidumal and Watumull, Ltd.

The petitioner was Odharmal Girdharimal, one of the four partners of the firm, and he brought the petition on the ground that he was unable to carry on the partnership owing to disagreement with his co-partners. He was represented by Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C., and Mr. Leo D'Almada, Jnr., instructed by Mr. M. A. da Silva.

Mr. H. G. Sheldon, K.C., instructed by Mr. M. M. Watson, appeared for the other three partners, Messrs. Keramchand, Gidumal and Wutumull, who opposed the petition. They alleged that the petition was brought for the purpose of wrecking the business.

Continuing his arguments from the previous hearing, Mr. Potter submitted that although the granting of the order would involve a loss for his client, the partnership should be dissolved because the conditions were such that the petitioner could not carry on. The accusation that his client wanted to ruin the business should never have been made because he had tried every possible effort to avoid such purpose. He was the first to suggest arbitration and had written to his co-partners to buy his interests in the firm.

Mr. Wutumull, one of the partners, had broken faith in the partnership by establishing a competing business in Yokohama, and the fact that this was with the acquiescence of the other two, showed that this alone was sufficient ground for the granting of the order. There was such a state of animosity existing between the petitioner and his co-partners that there was no reasonable hope for reconciliation, and the petition should therefore be granted.

BRITISH SECRETS KNOWN IN ROME

(Continued from Page 1.)

Britain is acting disinterestedly.—*Reuter.*

EDEN TO EXPLAIN

London, Feb. 20.

It is thought probable that the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Anthony Eden, will make a statement on the subject of the publication of the Maffey report in the House of Commons to-morrow morning. While the report in question was secret and intended only for the use of the Cabinet and Government Departments, its publication in Italy has caused mystification rather than embarrassment in London, since its contents dispose completely of the contention so frequently advanced in Italian propaganda that the attitude of the British Government towards the Italo-Abyssinian dispute has been actuated by self-interested motives, and make clear that the action taken together with other League Powers has been dictated purely by respect for obligations under the Covenant.

The report is that of an inter-departmental committee, set up to examine British interests in Ethiopia in preparation for meeting the request of the Italian Government at the beginning of last year for an exchange of views on the interests of the two Governments in that country.

Sir Samuel Hoare had occasion more than once last Autumn in reply to retrospective Italian complaints of dilatoriness, to refer to enquiries the Government had set on foot which had been overtaken by events including the Italian resort to war in disregard of the League Covenant.

The conclusions of the committee, which now have been published in Italy, have in fact been reflected in many statements of the Foreign Secretary and his predecessor in the House of Commons and were to the effect that the British interests in Ethiopia are limited to those the existence of which has been often admitted by Italy, and in respect of which the Italian Government's assurances have been fully accepted by British Government.—*British Wireless.*

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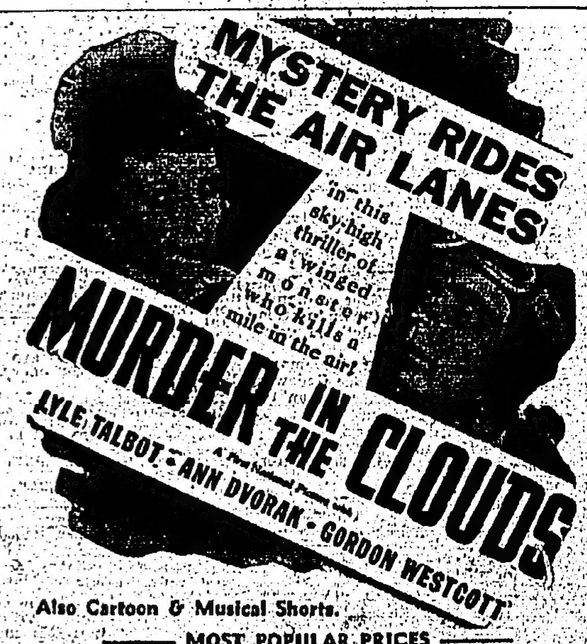

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